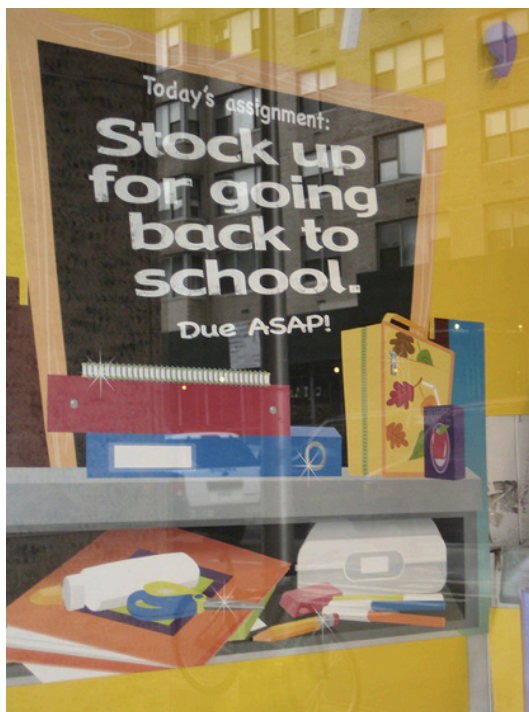


How to do 11 Techy Things In the New School Year

*The new school year is here, why not try something new this year?
This guide will get you started on 11 techy things all teachers can do.*

Free Technology for Teachers

Fretech4teachers.com



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This is a free guide written by Richard Byrne. This guide is intended to be a quick-start guide for teachers who would like to try using more technology in their classrooms, but just aren't sure how or where to start.

For ideas on how the tools outlined in this guide can be used, please visit <http://bit.ly/11newthings>

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Create a Blog using Blogger

Step 1:



The screenshot shows the Blogger homepage. At the top, there's a blue header with the Blogger logo and a sign-in section. Below the header, there's a section titled "Create a blog. It's free." with a prominent orange "CREATE A BLOG" button. A blue arrow points from the "CREATE A BLOG" button to a text box. Another blue arrow points from the "SIGN IN" button to the same text box.

Language: English

Blogger

Sign in to use Blogger with your Google Account

Username (Email): Password: (?)

SIGN IN Remember me (?)

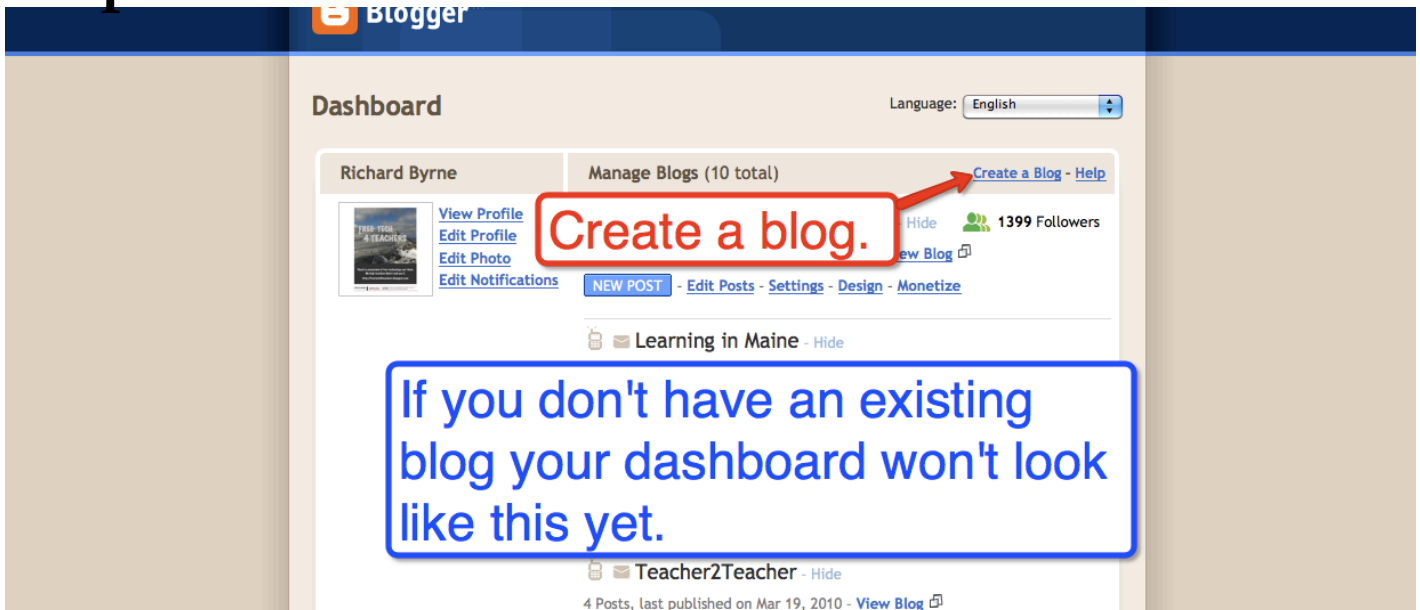
Create a blog. It's free.

CREATE A BLOG

It's easy, and only takes a minute.

If you already have a Google Account use that to sign in. Otherwise click "create a blog" and you'll be prompted to create a Google Account before creating your blog.

Step 2:



The screenshot shows the Blogger dashboard. At the top, there's a blue header with the Blogger logo. Below the header, there's a section titled "Dashboard" with a language dropdown. The main content area shows a user profile for "Richard Byrne" with links to "View Profile", "Edit Profile", "Edit Photo", and "Edit Notifications". There's a "NEW POST" button and links to "Edit Posts", "Settings", "Design", and "Monetize". A red box highlights the "Create a blog." text, with a red arrow pointing to the "Create a Blog - Help" link. A blue box contains a text instruction.

Blogger

Dashboard

Language: English

Richard Byrne

Manage Blogs (10 total)

Create a Blog - Help

Hide 1399 Followers

View Profile Edit Profile Edit Photo Edit Notifications

Create a blog.

NEW POST Edit Posts Settings Design Monetize

Learning in Maine - Hide

Teacher2Teacher - Hide

4 Posts, last published on Mar 19, 2010 - View Blog

If you don't have an existing blog your dashboard won't look like this yet.

Create a Blog using Blogger

Step 3:

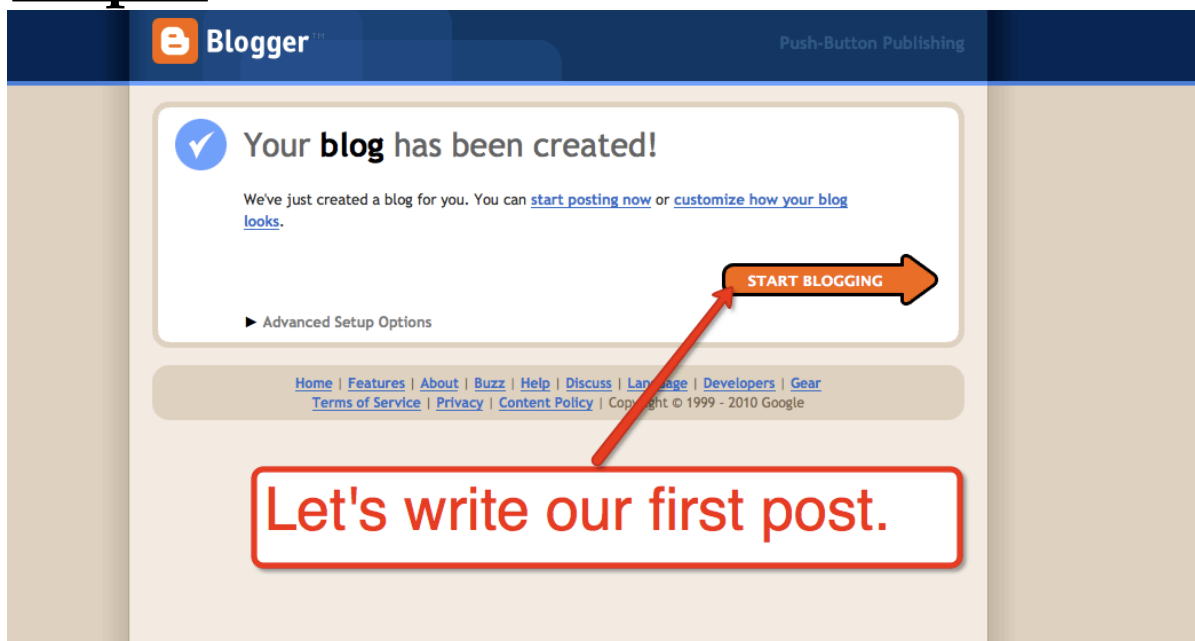
The screenshot shows the '1 Name your blog' step in the Blogger setup process. It includes a progress bar at the top with '1 NAME BLOG' and '2 CHOOSE TEMPLATE'. The main form has three sections: 'Blog title' with an empty text box and a note that the title will appear on the blog, dashboard, and profile; 'Blog address (URL)' with a text box containing 'http://' and 'blogspot.com', a 'Check Availability' link, and a note that the URL will be used by visitors; and 'Word Verification' with a CAPTCHA image showing the word 'pegang' and a text box for the user to type the characters. A red callout box points to the 'Blog title' field with the text 'Name your blog. You can change it later if you like.' Another red callout box points to the 'Blog address (URL)' field with the text 'Pick a url. This cannot be changed later.' An orange 'CONTINUE' button is at the bottom right.

Step 4:

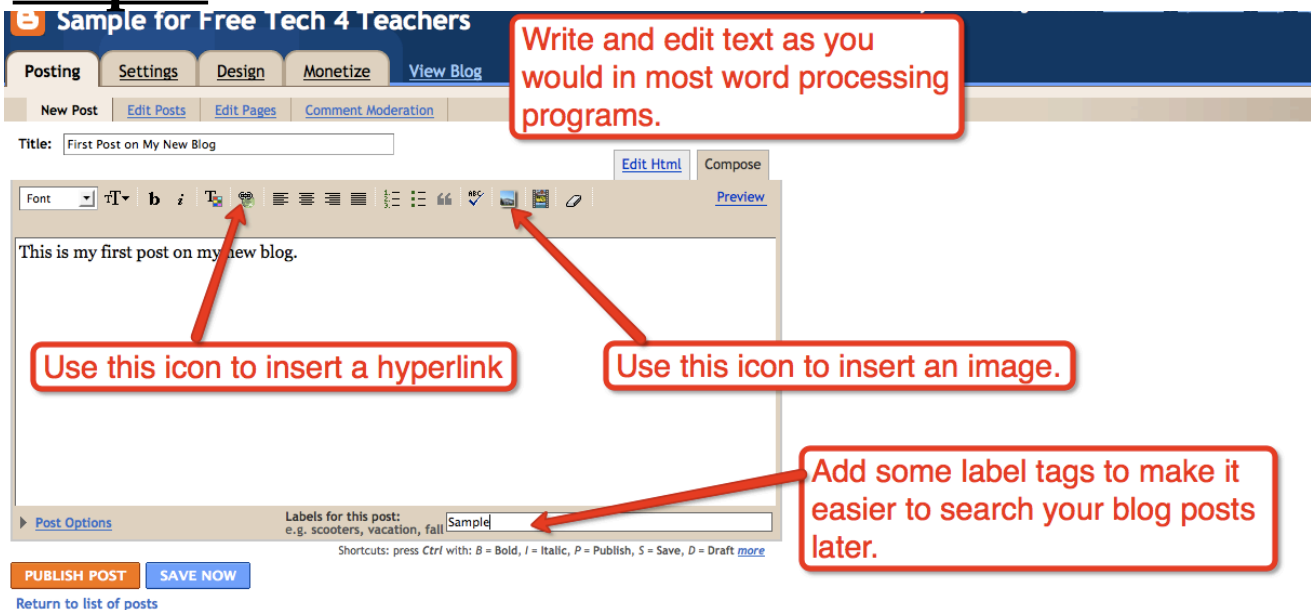
The screenshot shows the '2 Choose a starter template' step in the Blogger setup process. It includes a progress bar at the top with '1 NAME BLOG' and '2 CHOOSE TEMPLATE'. The main area displays a grid of eight template thumbnails, each with a title and author: 'Simple' by Josh Peterson, 'Picture Window' by Josh Peterson, 'Awesome Inc.' by Tina Chen, 'Watermark' by Josh Peterson, 'Ethereal' by Jason Morrow, 'Travel' by Leezche, 'Simple' by Josh Peterson, and 'Watermark' by Josh Peterson. A red callout box points to the 'Picture Window' template with the text 'Pick a blog design. This can always be changed later.' An orange 'CONTINUE' button is at the bottom right.

Create a Blog using Blogger

Step 5:



Step 6:



Create a Blog using Blogger

Step 7: Inserting videos and other widgets.

The screenshot shows the Blogger 'Compose' mode interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs: Posting, Settings, Design, Monetize, and View Blog. Below this is a sub-navigation bar with links: New Post, Edit Posts, Edit Pages, and Comment Moderation. The 'Title' field contains 'First Post on My New Blog'. The main text area shows the text 'This is my first post on my new blog.' followed by a YouTube video embed code. A red arrow points from a text box to the 'Edit HTML' button. Another red arrow points from a text box to the 'Compose' button. A third red arrow points from a text box to the video embed code. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'PUBLISH POST' and 'SAVE NOW', and a status bar indicating 'Draft autosaved at 10:55 AM'.

Sample for Free Tech 4 Teachers

Posting Settings Design Monetize View Blog

New Post Edit Posts Edit Pages Comment Moderation

Title: First Post on My New Blog

Edit HTML Compose Preview

Font T T b i T [Icons]

This is my first post on my new blog.

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<object width="425" height="344"><param name="movie" value="http://www.youtube.com/v/dGCJ46vyR9o?fs=1&hl=en_US&rel=0&border=1"></param><param name="allowFullScreen" value="true"></param><param name="allowscriptaccess" value="always"></param><embed src="http://www.youtube.com/v/dGCJ46vyR9o?fs=1&hl=en_US&rel=0&border=1" type="application/x-shockwave-flash" allowscriptaccess="always" allowfullscreen="true" width="425" height="344"></embed></object>
```

Labels for this post: e.g. scooters, vacation, fall Sample.

Shortcuts: press Ctrl with: B = Bold, I = Italic, P = Publish, S = Save, D = Draft [more](#)

PUBLISH POST SAVE NOW Draft autosaved at 10:55 AM

[Return to list of posts](#)

Inserting html generally works in the "compose" mode. If it doesn't work, remove it, click "edit html" and try again.

Paste custom html to insert videos and other widgets into your posts.

First New Post in Action

The screenshot shows the Blogger blog homepage. The header features the title 'Teachers' in a large blue font. Below the header, the date 'THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2010' is displayed. The main content area shows the first post, titled 'First Post on My New Blog', with the text 'This is my first post on my new blog.' and a YouTube video player. A red arrow points from a text box to the video player. The right sidebar contains sections for 'FOLLOWERS', 'BLOG ARCHIVE', and 'ABOUT ME'. The 'FOLLOWERS' section shows a 'Follow' button. The 'BLOG ARCHIVE' section shows a list of posts for the year 2010, with the first post being 'First Post on My New Blog'. The 'ABOUT ME' section shows the profile of Richard Byrne, with the text 'The purpose of this site is to share information about free resources'.

Teachers

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2010

First Post on My New Blog

This is my first post on my new blog.

A Vision of Students Today

YouTube

My first post in action.

FOLLOWERS

Follow

Be the first!

Already a member? [Sign in](#)

BLOG ARCHIVE

2010 (1)

August (1)

First Post on My New Blog

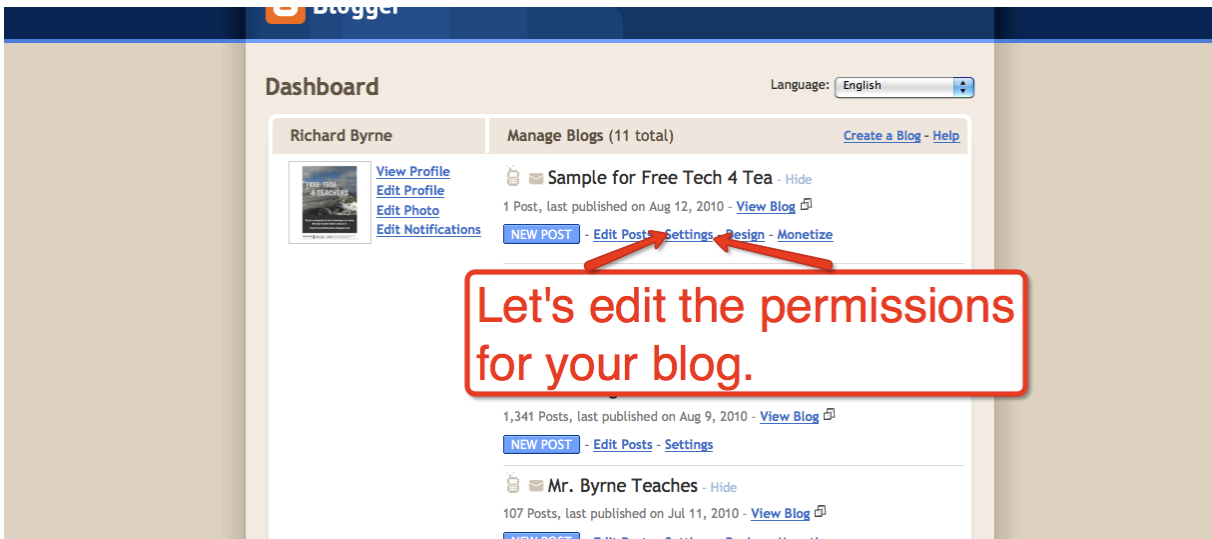
ABOUT ME

Richard Byrne

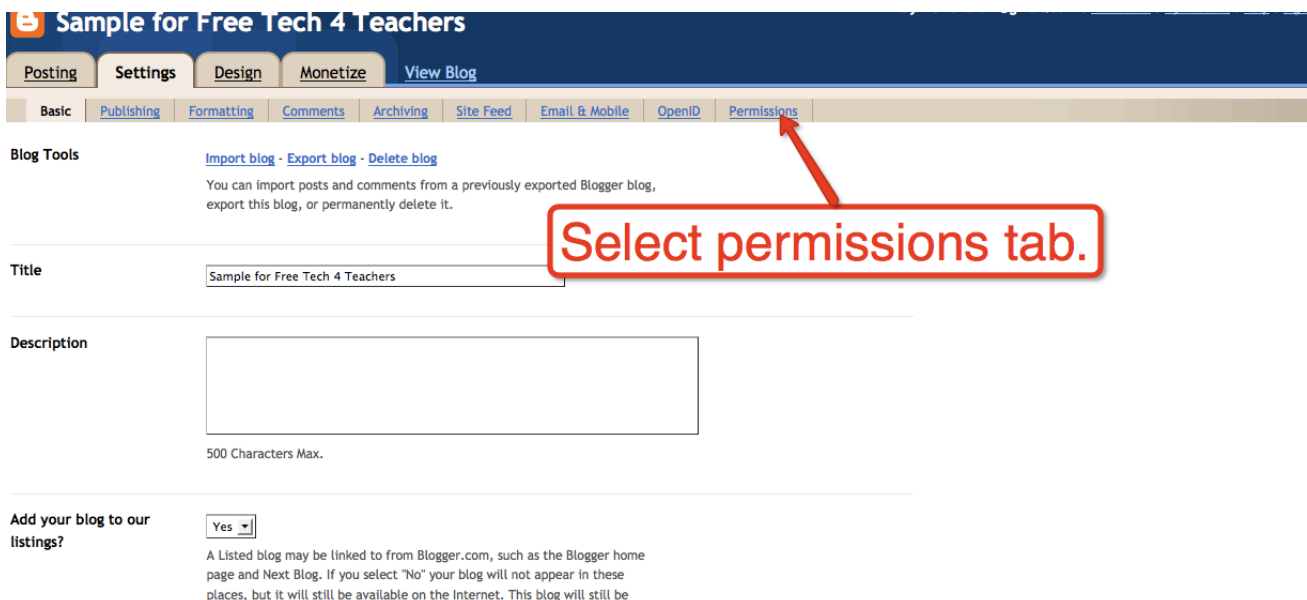
The purpose of this site is to share information about free resources

Create a Blog using Blogger

Select Settings Tab to Set the Viewing, Writing, and Commenting Permissions.

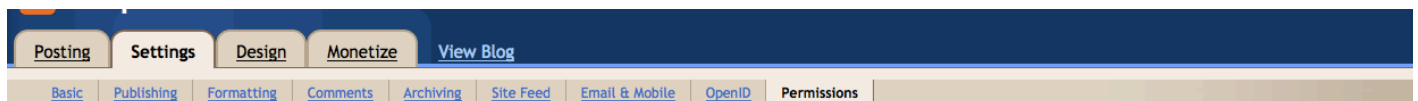


Choose Permissions Tab



Create a Blog using Blogger

Add Authors and Choose Viewing Permissions



Blog Authors Your blog can have up to 100 authors.

1 Author can post to this blog

 [Mr. Byrne](#) → admin

[ADD AUTHORS](#)

Add authors. This is how your students can write on the blog.

Blog Readers Your blog can have up to 100 readers.

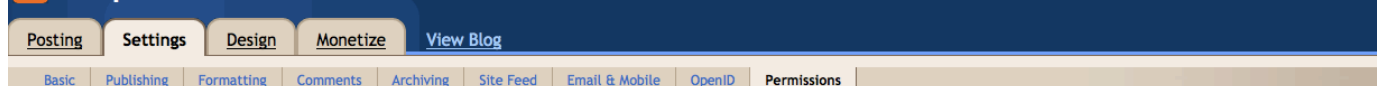
Who can view this blog?

☒ Anybody ☐ Only people I choose ☐ Only blog authors

You can choose to allow anyone to view your blog. However, these readers will not be able to comment or post.

Select who can read your blog. If you choose "only people I choose" you will need to enter their email addresses

Sample for Free Tech 4 Teachers



Blog Authors Your blog can have up to 100 authors.

1 Author can post to this blog

 [Mr. Byrne](#)

Invite more people to write to your blog

[Choose from contacts](#)

Enter the email addresses of people you want to write to your blog (separated by commas)

[INVITE](#) [CANCEL](#)

Type in the email addresses of those people you want to write posts on your blog.

Making people "authors" gives them permission to write their own posts only. They cannot edit other posts or edit the look of the blog.

Blog Readers Your blog can have up to 100 readers.

Who can view this blog?

☒ Anybody ☐ Only people I choose ☐ Only blog authors

Your blog is open to all readers by default.

Create a Blog using Blogger

Set Commenting Permissions.

Make sure you turn on comment moderation.

Sample for Free Tech 4 Teachers

Posting Settings Design Monetize View Blog

Basic Publishing Formatting Comments Archiving Site Feed Email & Mobile OpenID Permissions

Comments

☒ Show ☐ Hide

Note: Selecting "Hide" does not delete existing comments - You can show them at any time by re-selecting "Show".

Who Can Comment?

☐ Anyone - includes Anonymous Users

☒ Registered Users - includes OpenID

☐ Users with Google Accounts

☐ Only members of this blog

Comment Form Placement

☐ Full page

☐ Pop-up window

☒ Embedded below post

The embedded comment form can not be used if you have Post Pages disabled.

Comments Default for Posts

New Posts Have Comments

Backlinks

☐ Show ☒ Hide

Backlinks enable you to keep track of other pages on the web that link to

Comments Timestamp Format

August 12, 2010 8:10 AM

Comment Form Message

You can use some HTML tags, such as , <i>, <a>

Comment moderation

☒ Always

☐ Only on posts older than 14 days

☐ Never

Review comments before they are published. A link will appear on your dashboard when there are comments to review. [Learn more](#)

Email address

We will email you at this address when a non-member leaves a comment on your blog. Leave blank if you don't want to receive these emails.

Show word verification for comments?

☒ Yes ☐ No

This will require people leaving comments on your blog to complete a word verification step, which will help reduce comment spam. [Learn more](#)

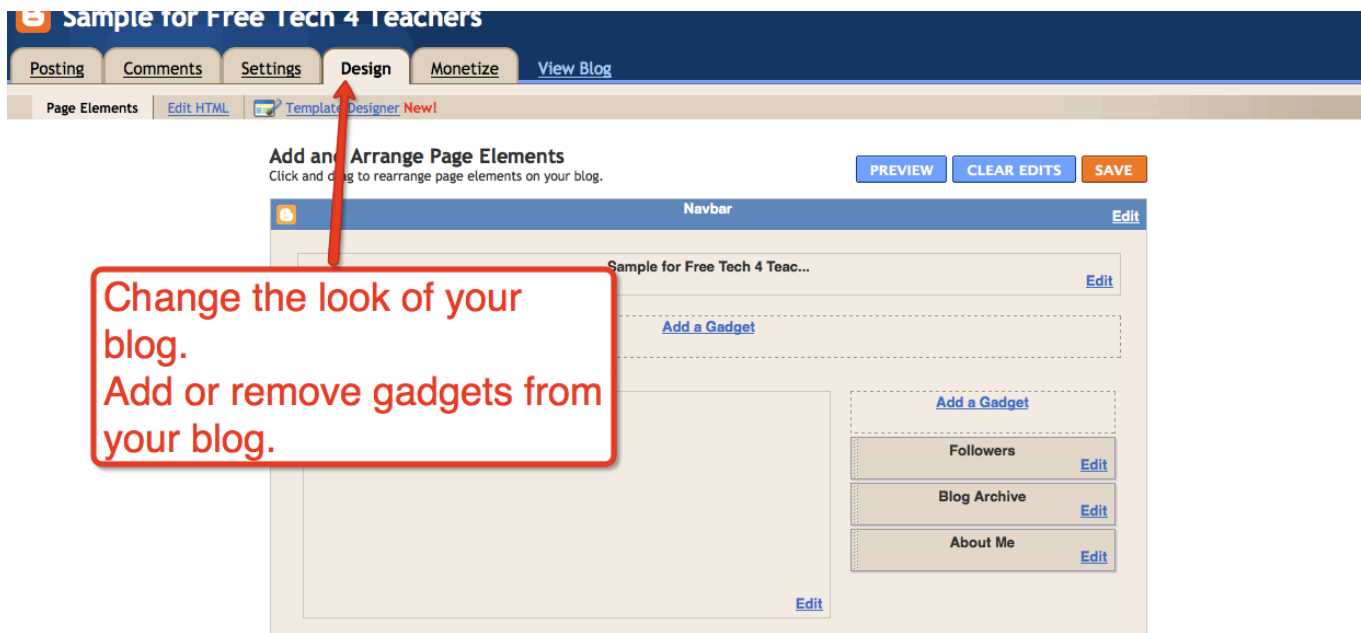
Select "comments" tab to set permissions for commenting.

If you want only your students to comment, select only members of this blog.

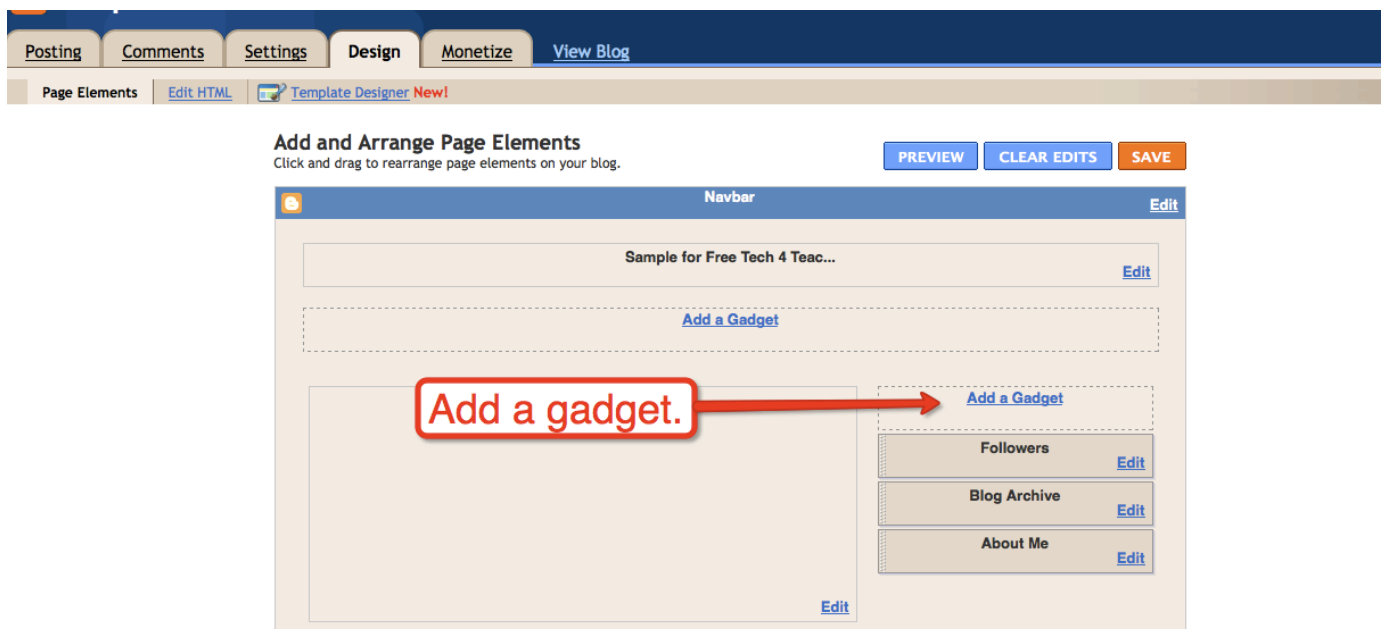
To avoid spam and to preview students' comments before they appear on the blog, turn on comment moderation.

Create a Blog using Blogger

Select Design Tab to Edit the Look of Your Blog



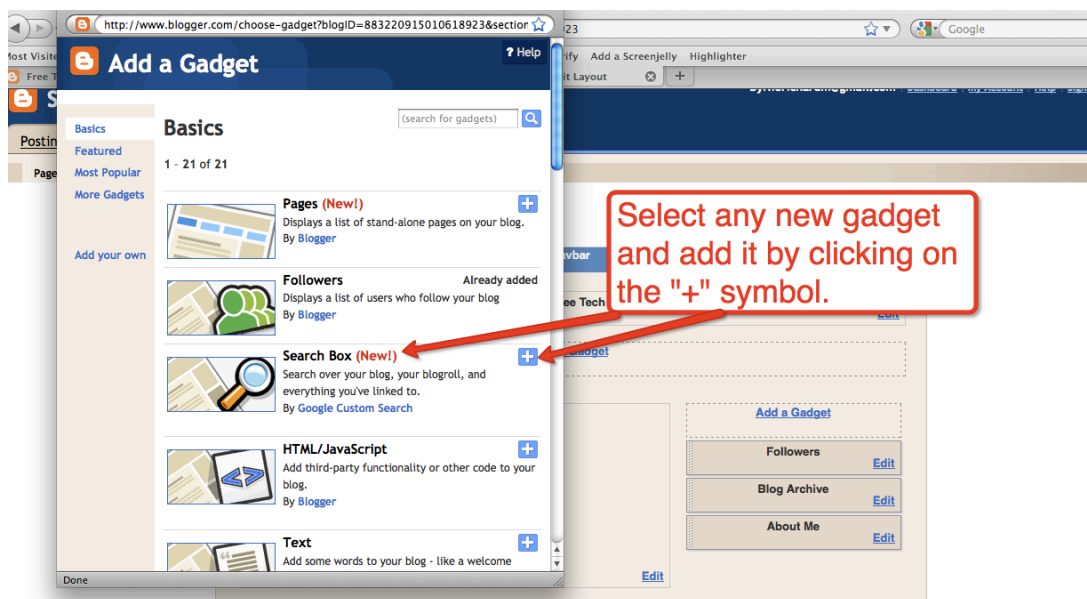
The screenshot shows the Blogger 'Design' tab interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with tabs: Posting, Comments, Settings, Design (selected), Monetize, and View Blog. Below this is a sub-navigation bar with 'Page Elements', 'Edit HTML', and 'Template Designer New!'. The main area is titled 'Add and Arrange Page Elements' with instructions 'Click and drag to rearrange page elements on your blog.' and buttons for 'PREVIEW', 'CLEAR EDITS', and 'SAVE'. The interface shows a 'Navbar' section with a sample title 'Sample for Free Tech 4 Teachers' and an 'Add a Gadget' link. A large red callout box with a red arrow pointing to the 'Design' tab contains the text: 'Change the look of your blog. Add or remove gadgets from your blog.'



This screenshot shows the same Blogger 'Design' tab interface. A red callout box with the text 'Add a gadget.' and a red arrow points to the 'Add a Gadget' link in the main content area. The interface elements are identical to the previous screenshot, including the navigation tabs and the 'Add and Arrange Page Elements' section.

Create a Blog using Blogger

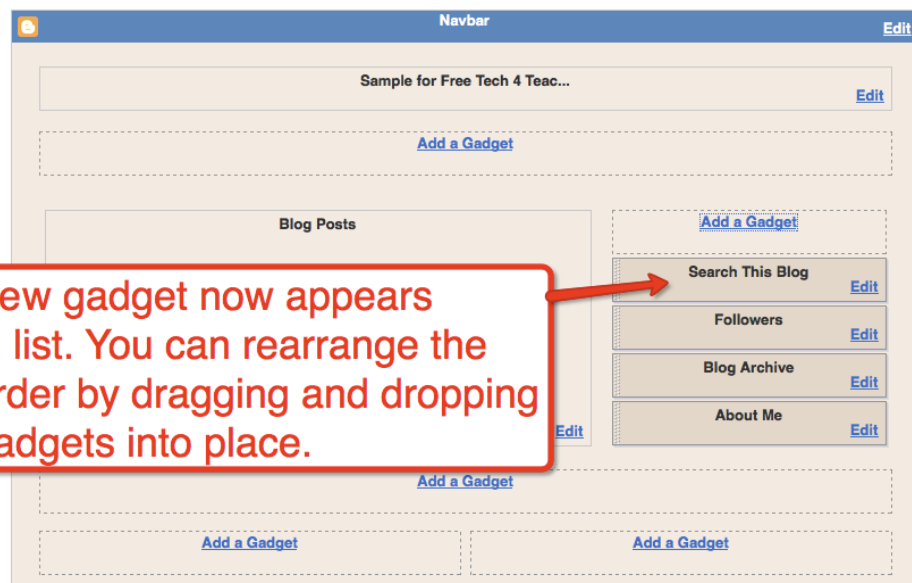
Adding Gadgets to Your Blog



Add and Arrange Page Elements

Click and drag to rearrange page elements on your blog.

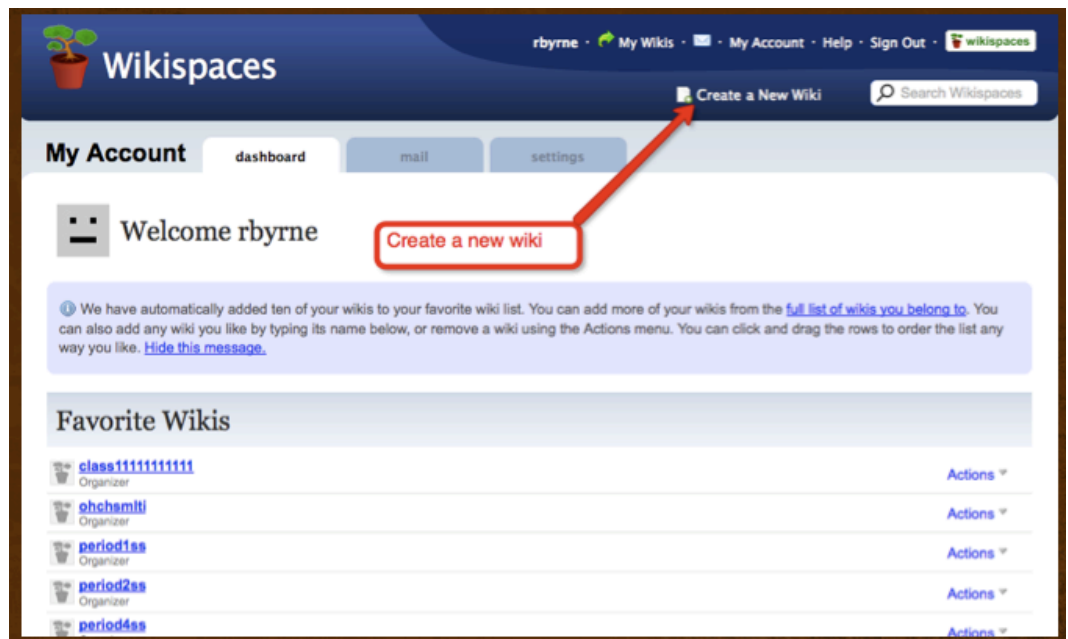
PREVIEW CLEAR EDITS SAVE



Build a Wiki Using Wikispaces

Step 1:

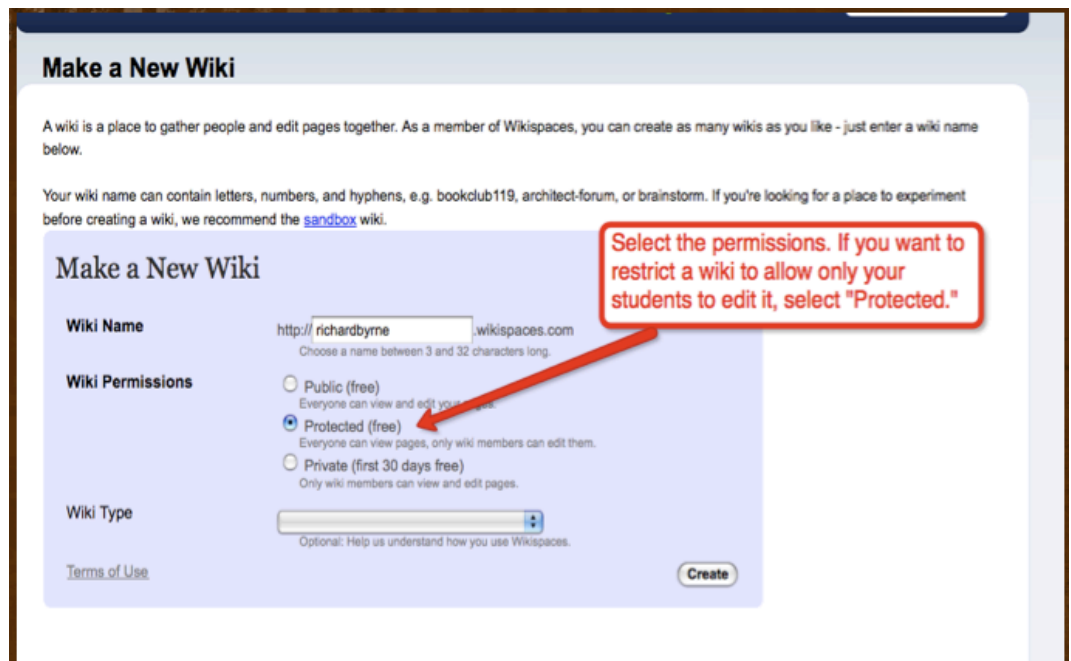
After creating an account select “create a wiki.”



Step 2:

Name your wiki, select permissions, and choose wiki type.

Choose “education” version to have an ad-free wiki.

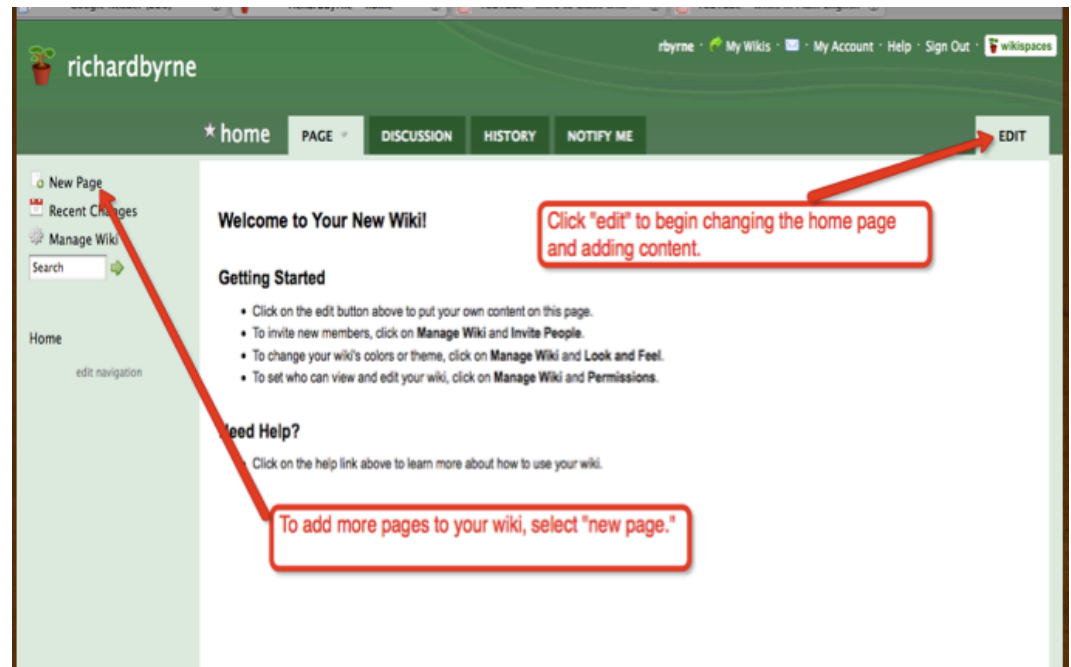


Build a Wiki Using Wikispaces

Step 3:

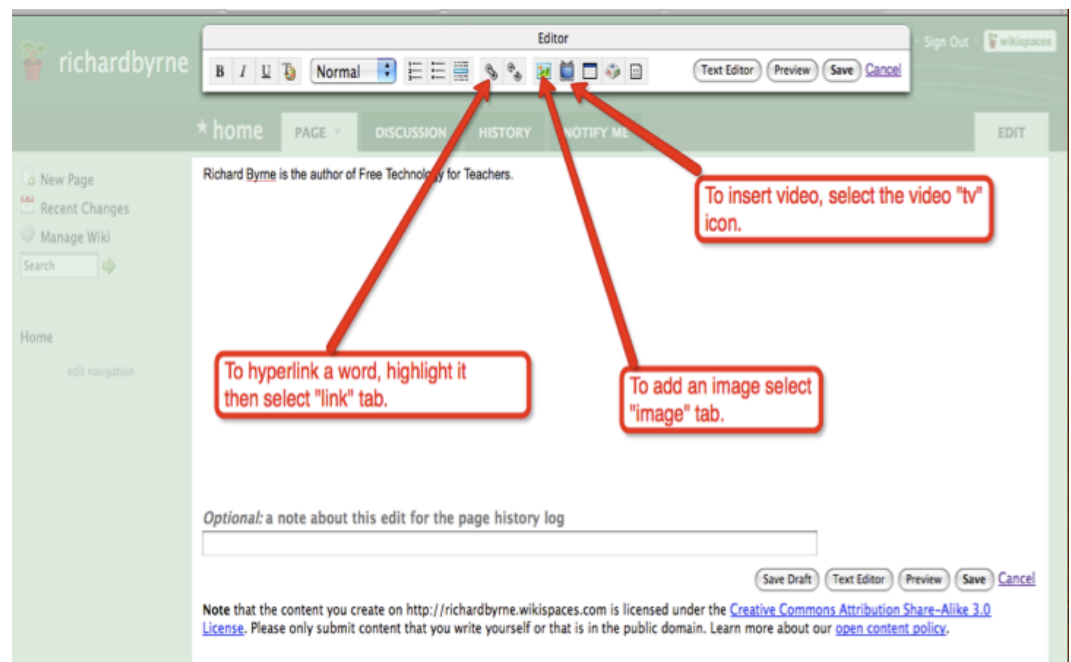
Click “edit” to begin adding content to your homepage.

Click “new page” to add more pages.



Step 4:

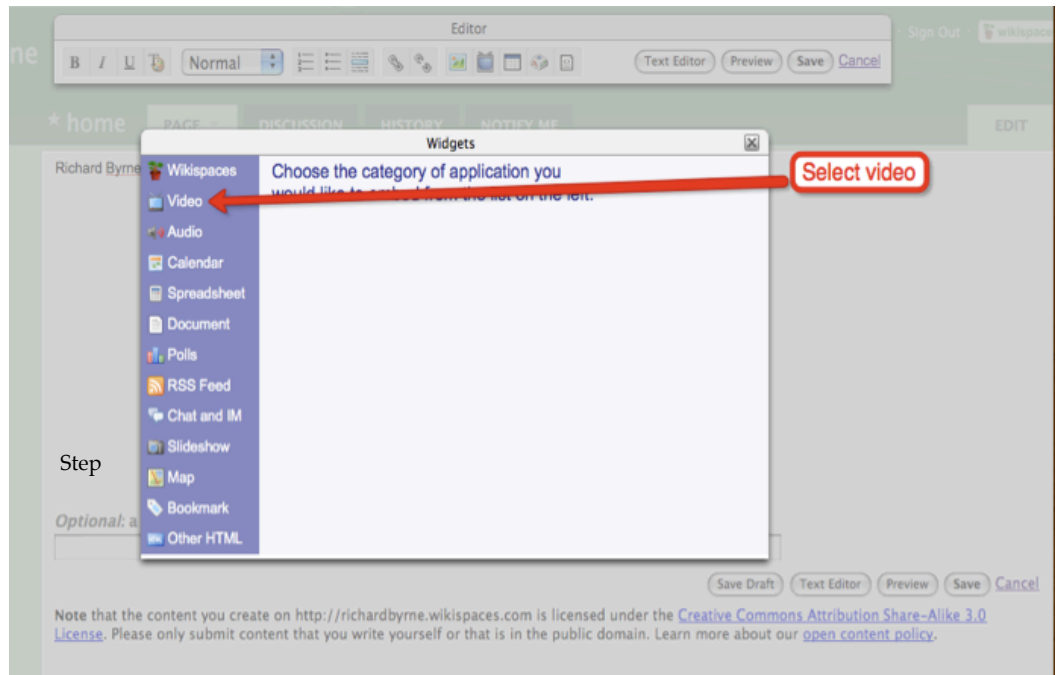
Use TV icon to embed videos, Google Maps, and other html widgets.



Build a Wiki Using Wikispaces

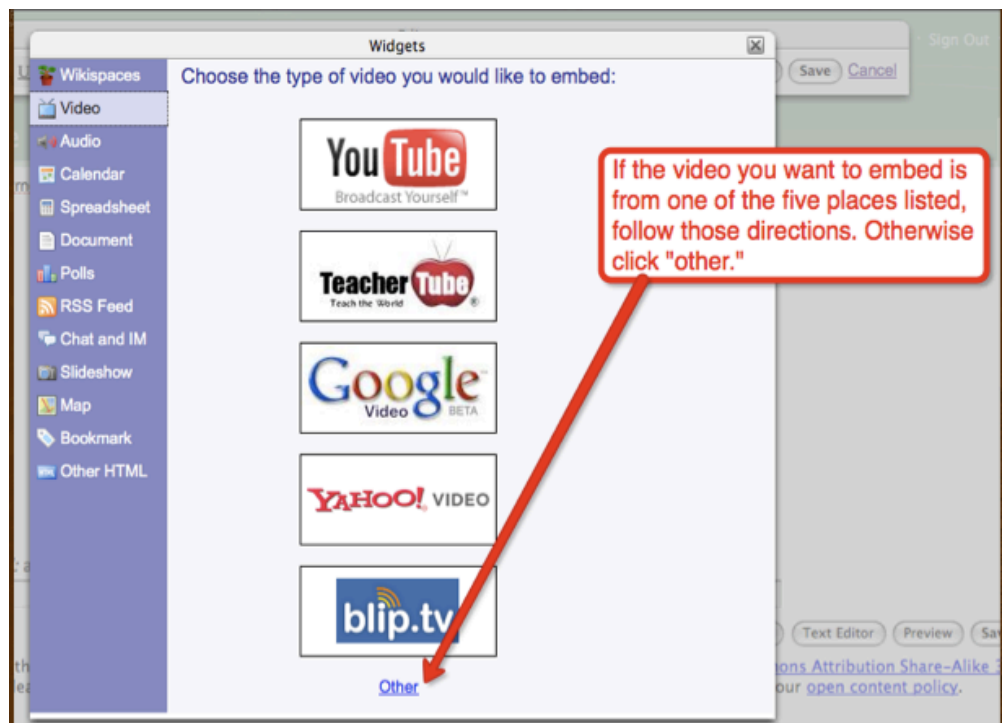
Step 5:

Select the type of widget you wish to embed.



Step 6:

If your desired widget isn't in the menu select "other html."



Build a Wiki Using Wikispaces

Step 7: Paste html code into box and save. Video (or other widgets) will not appear until you exit out of editing mode.

The screenshot shows the Wikispaces editor interface. A red box highlights the instruction: "After clicking 'other' copy the embed code into the field. Click preview then click save." The Widgets dialog box is open, showing a list of widget categories on the left: Wikispaces, Video, Audio, Calendar, Spreadsheet, Document, Polls, RSS Feed, Chat and IM, Slideshow, Map, Bookmark, and Other HTML. The Video category is selected. The main area of the dialog box contains the following text:

Add your favorite media clips and applications to your wiki in three easy steps:

1. Go to your favorite video clip, podcast, or embedded application. Anything from **Google Calendar** to **Odeo** to **YouTube**!
2. Find the HTML code to paste into your site. This will be found in a text box labeled "Embed", "Embed HTML", "Add to My Site/Blog", "Link to this page", or similar.
3. Paste in the HTML below and click "Preview" to see how it will look. When you save your changes by clicking the "Save" button, your media clip or application will appear in your Wikispaces page.

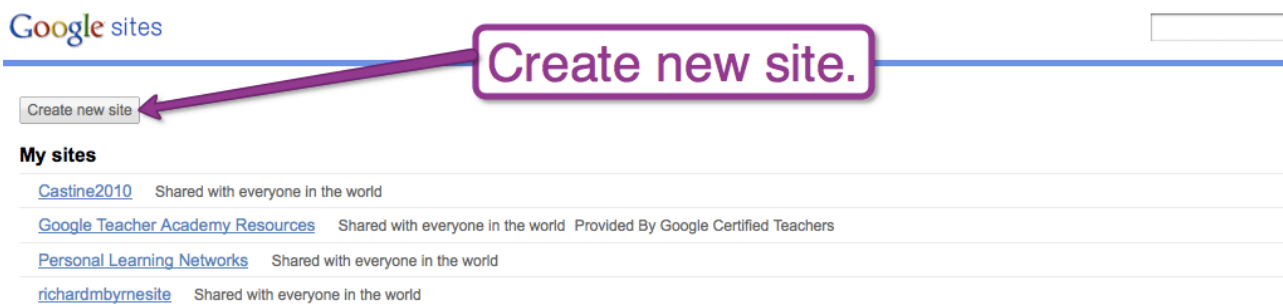
Below the instructions is a text box containing the following HTML code:

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<object width="425" height="344"><param name="movie" value="http://www.youtube.com/v/-dnL00TdmLY&hl=en&fs=1&"></param><param name="allowFullScreen" value="true"></param><param name="allowscriptaccess" value="always"></param><embed src="http://www.youtube.com/v/-dnL00TdmLY&hl=en&fs=1&" type="application/x-shockwave-flash"></embed></object>
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At the bottom of the dialog box are buttons for "Save", "Preview", and "Cancel".

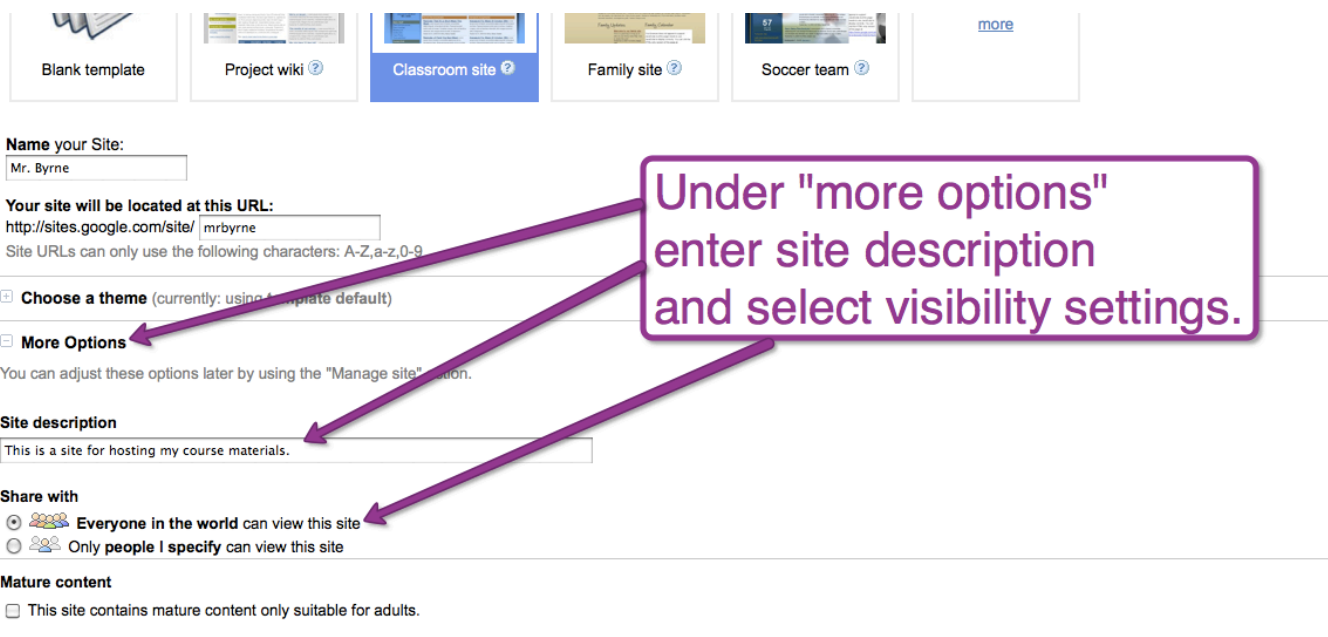
Create a Website Using Google Sites

Step 1: After creating a Google Account and logging into Google Sites select “create new site.”



The screenshot shows the Google Sites interface. At the top left is the 'Google sites' logo. To its right is a search bar. Below the logo is a button labeled 'Create new site'. A purple callout box with the text 'Create new site.' has an arrow pointing to this button. Below the button is a section titled 'My sites' which lists several existing sites: 'Castine2010', 'Google Teacher Academy Resources', 'Personal Learning Networks', and 'richardmburnsite', each with a 'Shared with everyone in the world' status.

Step 2: After selecting a template, name site, describe site, and choose visibility setting.



The screenshot shows the Google Sites creation wizard. At the top, there are six template options: 'Blank template', 'Project wiki', 'Classroom site', 'Family site', 'Soccer team', and a 'more' link. Below the templates is a section titled 'Name your Site:' with a text box containing 'Mr. Byrne'. Below that is a section titled 'Your site will be located at this URL:' with a text box containing 'http://sites.google.com/site/mrbyrne'. Below that is a section titled 'Choose a theme' with a dropdown menu set to 'currently: using template default'. Below that is a section titled 'More Options' with a checkbox. Below that is a section titled 'Site description' with a text box containing 'This is a site for hosting my course materials.'. Below that is a section titled 'Share with' with two radio button options: 'Everyone in the world can view this site' (selected) and 'Only people I specify can view this site'. Below that is a section titled 'Mature content' with a checkbox labeled 'This site contains mature content only suitable for adults.' A purple callout box with the text 'Under "more options" enter site description and select visibility settings.' has three arrows pointing to the 'More Options' checkbox, the 'Site description' text box, and the 'Share with' radio buttons.

Create a Website Using Google Sites

Step 3

Google sites Welcome Updated Jul 5, 2010 3:13 PM

Create page Edit page More actions

test

Welcome

Mr. Byrne's materials

Sitemap

Edit sidebar

Welcome

To insert a video select "html" from the toolbar above.

Select edit page to begin adding content.

Recent Site Activity Revision History Terms Report Abuse Print page Remove Access | Powered by Google Sites

Step 4

Google sites Welcome draft saved at 3:17 PM Save Cancel

Insert Format Table Layout

Normal 10 pt B I U Link

test

Welcome

Mr. Byrne's materials

Sitemap

Edit sidebar

Welcome

To insert a video select "html" from the toolbar above.

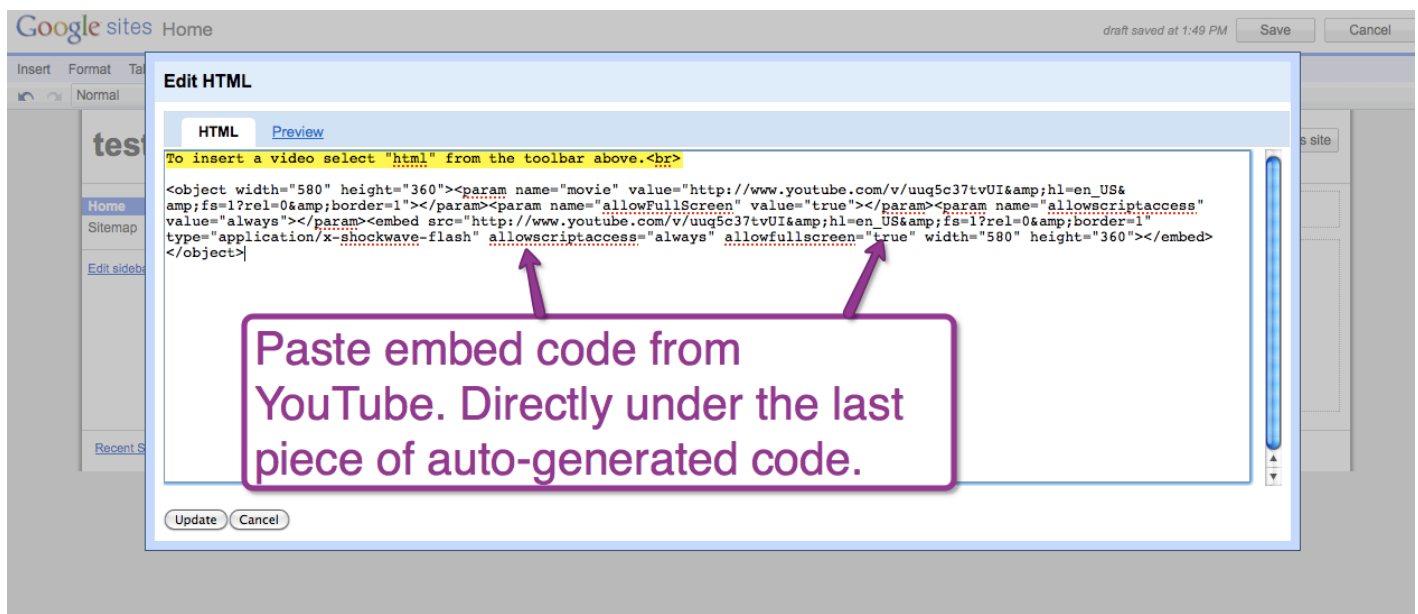
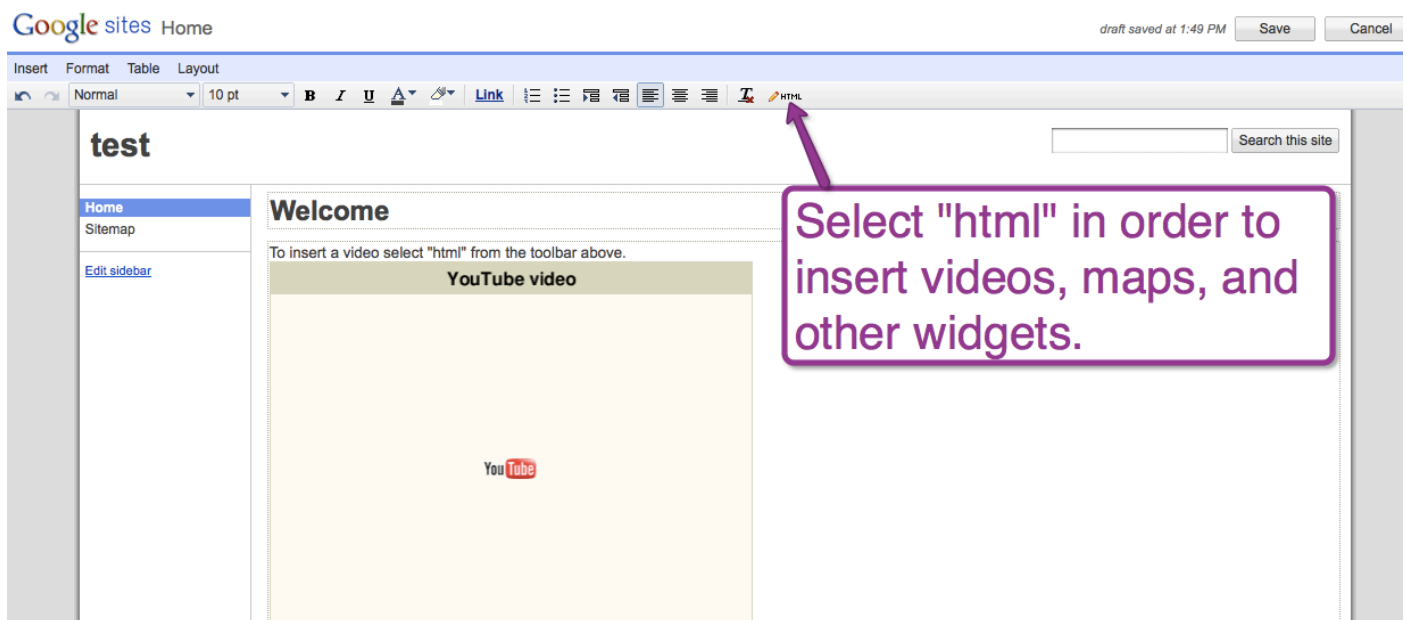
Click on any section surrounded by dotted lines to add text content.

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Recent Site Activity Revision History

Create a Website Using Google Sites

Adding Videos, Maps, and Other HTML Widgets



Create a Website Using Google Sites

Alternate method for adding images, calendars, video, maps, and html widgets to your page(s).

The screenshot shows the Google Sites editor interface for a site titled "Mr Byrne's materials". The top navigation bar includes "Google sites", the site name, and a status indicator "draft saved at 2:03 PM" with "Save" and "Cancel" buttons. Below this is a menu with "Insert", "Format", "Table", and "Layout". The "Insert" menu is open, showing options like "Image", "Link", "Table of contents", "Subpage listing", "Horizontal Line", and a "Google..." section with various widgets including AdSense, Calendar, Document, Map, Picasa Photo, Picasa Web slideshow, Presentation, Spreadsheet, Spreadsheet form, and Video. The main editing area displays the site's content, including the title "Mr. Byrne's materials", a search bar, and a text box with the placeholder "This is where I will post my course materials." A purple callout box with a white border and purple text is overlaid on the right side of the main content area, stating: "Select insert from editor menu to insert images, calendars, maps, or YouTube videos." Below the main content area, there are sections for "Attachments (0)" and "Comments (0)". At the bottom, a footer contains links for "Revision History", "Terms", "Report Abuse", "Print page", "Remove Access", and "Powered by Google Sites".

Create a Website Using Google Sites

Adding More Pages to Your Site

Google sites Home Updated a minute ago

test

Welcome
Sitemap
Edit sidebar

Welcome

To insert a video select "html" from the toolbar above.

Interview with Rushton Hurley.m4v

YouTube

Create page Edit page More actions

Search this site

Create a new page.

Google sites Create a new page (in site: test)

Select a template to use ([Learn more](#))

Web Page Announcements File Gallery List

Select a layout for your new page.

Name:

name new page

Your page will be located at: /site/mrbymetest123/ [Change](#)

- ☒ Put page at the **top level**
- ☐ Put page under **Welcome**
- Welcome > Your new page
- [Choose a different location](#)

Select a navigation location for your new page.

Create Page Cancel

[Recent Site Activity](#) [Terms](#) [Report Abuse](#) [Remove Access](#) | Powered by Google Sites

Create a Website Using Google Sites

Editing the navigation of your site.

Google sites Mr Byrne's materials Updated a minute ago [Create page](#) [Edit page](#) [More actions](#)

test Search this site

Welcome
Mr. Byrne's materials
Sitemap
[Edit sidebar](#)

Mr. Byrne's materials
This is where I will post my course materials.

Mr. Byrne's US
Mr. Byrne's US
Today
Sun

Click edit sidebar to rearrange the order in which your pages appear.

Print Week Month Agenda
Jul 1 Fri 2 Sat 3
4 5 6 7 8 9 10
11 12 13 14 15 16 17

[Click here](#) to read about Mrs. Smith

More Stuff
Class Announcements
Class Calendar
Reading List
Useful Links
Class Photos
Forms and Docs

Current Poll

Click Here to Take the Poll

Template tips
[Learn more about working with templates.](#)
[How to change the sidebar.](#)
[Edit sidebar](#)

If you use a template from the template gallery. The "edit sidebar" link may be buried at the bottom of the template page.

Recent Site Activity Revision History Terms Report Abuse Print page Remove Access | Powered by Google Sites

Create a Website Using Google Sites

Edit the sidebar

Google sites Manage mrbyrnetest123

[« Return to site](#)

Site content

Recent site activity

Pages

Attachments

Page templates

Site settings

General

Sharing

Monetize

Web Address

Site appearance

Site layout

Colors and Fonts

Themes

Save changes Preview Cancel

Customize your site layout

This page allows you to change the layout of your site, including specifying heights and widths for components and adding and arranging sidebar items.

Change site layout

Configure search

Header

Header height: Use theme default ([change logo](#))

Sidebar:

Width: 150 pixels

Navigation

[edit](#) [delete](#)

[+ Add a sidebar item](#)

Page Content

This area is reserved for site content.

Footer This area is reserved for site links

Edit sidebar navigation
or add items (such as links
to other pages) to the
sidebar.

Create a Website Using Google Sites

Adding Collaborators to Your Google Site

The screenshot shows the Google Sites interface for a site named 'Richard Byrne'. The 'More actions' menu is open, displaying various options. A red box highlights the 'Share this site' option, with a red arrow pointing to it from a text box that says: 'Select "share this site" from "more actions" menu to add authors to your site.'

Options in the 'More actions' menu include: Revision History, Subscribe to page changes, Page settings, Print page, Move page, Delete page, Preview page as viewer, Save as page template, Change page template, Subscribe to site changes, Manage site, and Share this site.

The screenshot shows the 'Manage richardbyrnedpsite' page in Google Sites. The 'Sharing' section is active, showing options to invite people to the site. A red box highlights the 'as collaborators' radio button, with a red arrow pointing to it from a text box that says: 'Add collaborators or add owners.'

Below the radio buttons, there is a text input field for email addresses, a 'Choose from contacts' link, and an 'Invite these people' button. The 'Advanced permissions' section shows a checked box for 'Anyone in the world may view this site (make it public)'. The 'Sharing with coworkers?' section mentions that companies can securely manage multiple sites.

Red arrows point from the 'as collaborators' radio button to a text box that says: 'Collaborators can add & edit pages.' and from the 'as owners' radio button to a text box that says: 'Owners can alter look of site and navigation.'

Create Videos Using Animoto

The screenshot shows the Animoto website dashboard. At the top, the Animoto logo is on the left, and the user's name "Hello, Richard." with links for "Account" and "Sign Out" is on the right. Below the header is a navigation bar with "Create Video", "My Videos", "Music Lounge", and "Help". The "Create Video" link is highlighted with a red arrow pointing to a red-bordered box containing the text "Create new video". Below the navigation bar, the "MY videos" section is visible, showing a list of "Finished Videos" with details like "My trip to Bow Island" and "I'm Sorry". On the right, the "ABOUT YOUR COLLECTION" section shows "My collection: 12 vids" and "From friends: 16 vids".

animoto

Hello, Richard.
Account | Sign Out

Create Video My Videos Music Lounge Help

MY videos

Create new video

Finished Videos

My trip to Bow Island
created: 19 Mar 2010, 15:55
by: Richard Byrne

I'm Sorry
created: 18 Mar 2010, 17:17
by: Richard Byrne

sample
created: 23 Feb 2010, 13:23
by: Richard Byrne

ABOUT YOUR COLLECTION

My collection: 12 vids
From friends: 16 vids

Here you can find all the videos you've created and those that have been shared with you.

Play them, get info on them, or delete them from your collection.

If your friends have sent you videos, you'll find them under Videos From Friends.

The screenshot shows the "Step 1: pics & vids" upload screen. On the left, a section titled "1. let's get your IMAGERY" is visible. In the center, there are three buttons: "upload from your computer", "select from our collection", and "retrieve from another site". A red-bordered box on the left contains the text "If uploading, it's a good idea to have a classroom discussion about Creative Commons and Copyright." with a red arrow pointing to the "upload from your computer" button. On the right, the "ABOUT YOUR VIDEO" section shows "Visual count: 0" and "Soundtrack: (none yet)". Below this, there are "A few pointers:" including "A 30-second video uses 8-15 elements (text, images, video), depending on the song." and "Use 3-5s video clip highlights for maximum effect."

1. let's get your IMAGERY

Step 1: pics & vids

Load up your video with images and video clips. You'll have a chance to add more later.

upload from your computer

select from our collection

retrieve from another site

Having trouble uploading? Try our simple uploader instead.

ABOUT YOUR VIDEO

Visual count: 0
Soundtrack: (none yet)

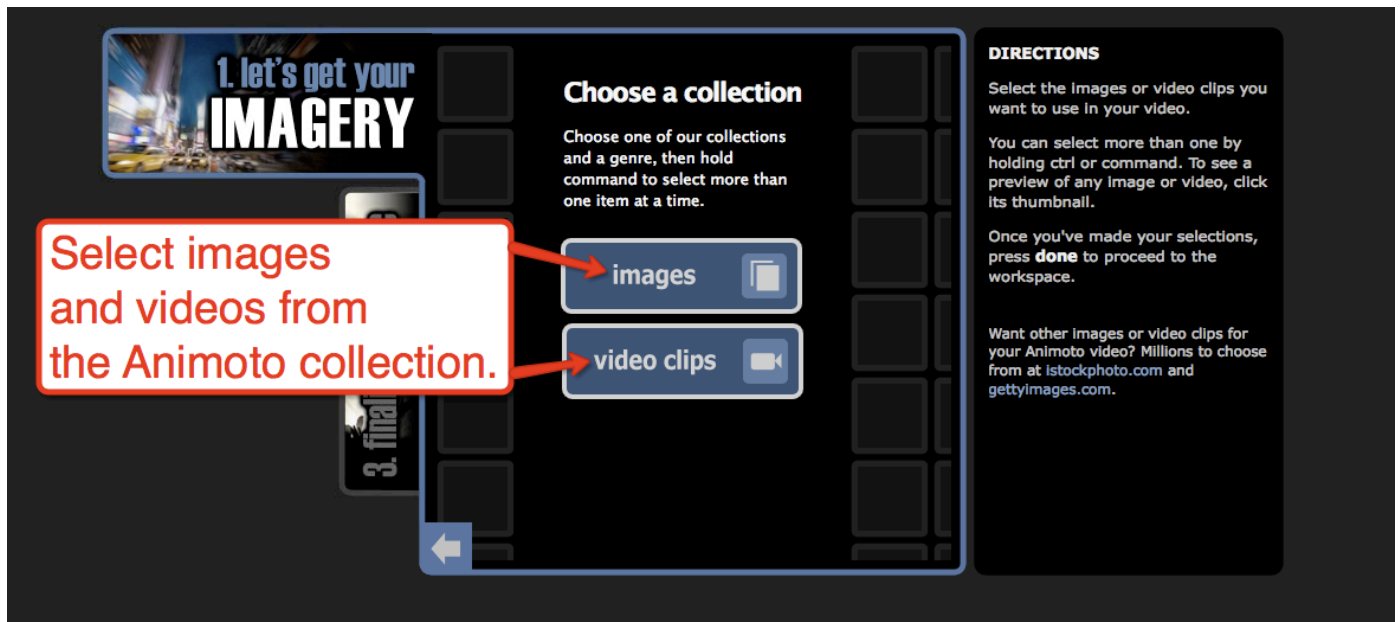
The number of Images you use, as well as the length and tempo of your soundtrack, will determine the speed of your images.

A few pointers:

- A 30-second video uses 8-15 elements (text, images, video), depending on the song.
- Use 3-5s video clip highlights for maximum effect.

If uploading, it's a good idea to have a classroom discussion about Creative Commons and Copyright.

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1. let's get your IMAGERY

Choose a collection

Choose one of our collections and a genre, then hold command to select more than one item at a time.

Select images and videos from the Animoto collection.

images

video clips

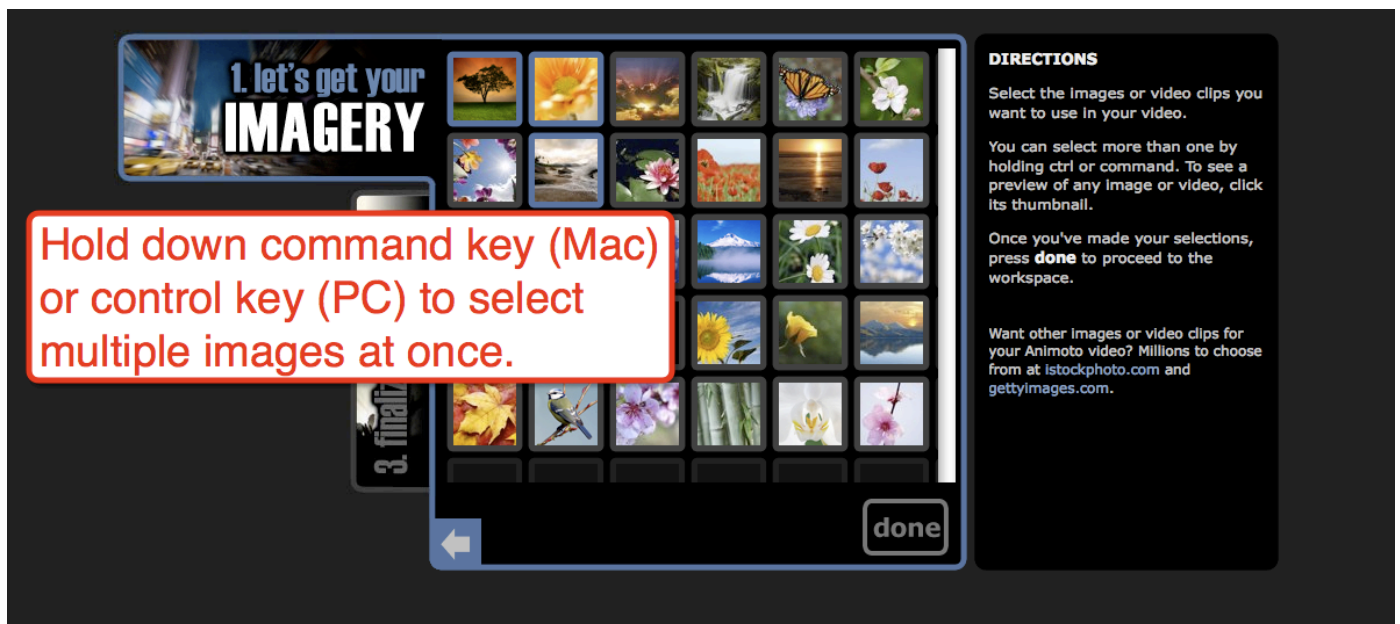
DIRECTIONS

Select the Images or video clips you want to use in your video.

You can select more than one by holding ctrl or command. To see a preview of any image or video, click its thumbnail.

Once you've made your selections, press **done** to proceed to the workspace.

Want other Images or video clips for your Animoto video? Millions to choose from at istockphoto.com and gettyimages.com.



1. let's get your IMAGERY

Hold down command key (Mac) or control key (PC) to select multiple images at once.

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done

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Arranging Images and Text Boxes

Drag and drop to arrange sequence.

Add text slides then drag and drop into sequence.

Highlight image then click delete to remove an image.

Click done to move on to audio

ABOUT YOUR VIDEO

Visual count: 7
Soundtrack: (none yet)

The number of Images you use, as well as the length and tempo of your soundtrack, will determine the speed of your Images.

This video is limited to 30 seconds. Upgrade Now

add more add text spotlight rotate duplicate delete shuffle done

Adding Audio Tracks

Select music or upload your own

If students are uploading music, this is a good time for a discussion about Creative Commons and Copyright.

Step 2: music

Our library has tons of good music to explore, or you can upload your own MP3 if you have the rights to use it.

select from our collection

upload your computer

DIRECTIONS

You can get your music in two ways.

Either **select** a song from our library or **upload** a song from your computer.

(We support all mp3 files).

Having trouble uploading? Try our simple uploader.

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Final Steps: Selecting Video Speed, Video Title, and Producer Name

Image pacing is not adjustable for standard free videos

Customize your video.

Video length: This video is limited to 30 seconds. Some images may be skipped. Upgrade.

Image pacing: 1/2 speed | 2x speed

Video cover screen

3. finalize your VIDEO

continue →

DIRECTIONS

Add some details for your video, this information will be used in the end-of-video credits.

If you need to **make changes**, click on the **images** or **music** tabs to go back

Need white label? Grab a Pro pass.

Enter Video Info.

Title

Description

Producer name: Richard Byrne

3. finalize your VIDEO

create video ✓

If using Animoto with students, remind them to remove their last names.

DIRECTIONS

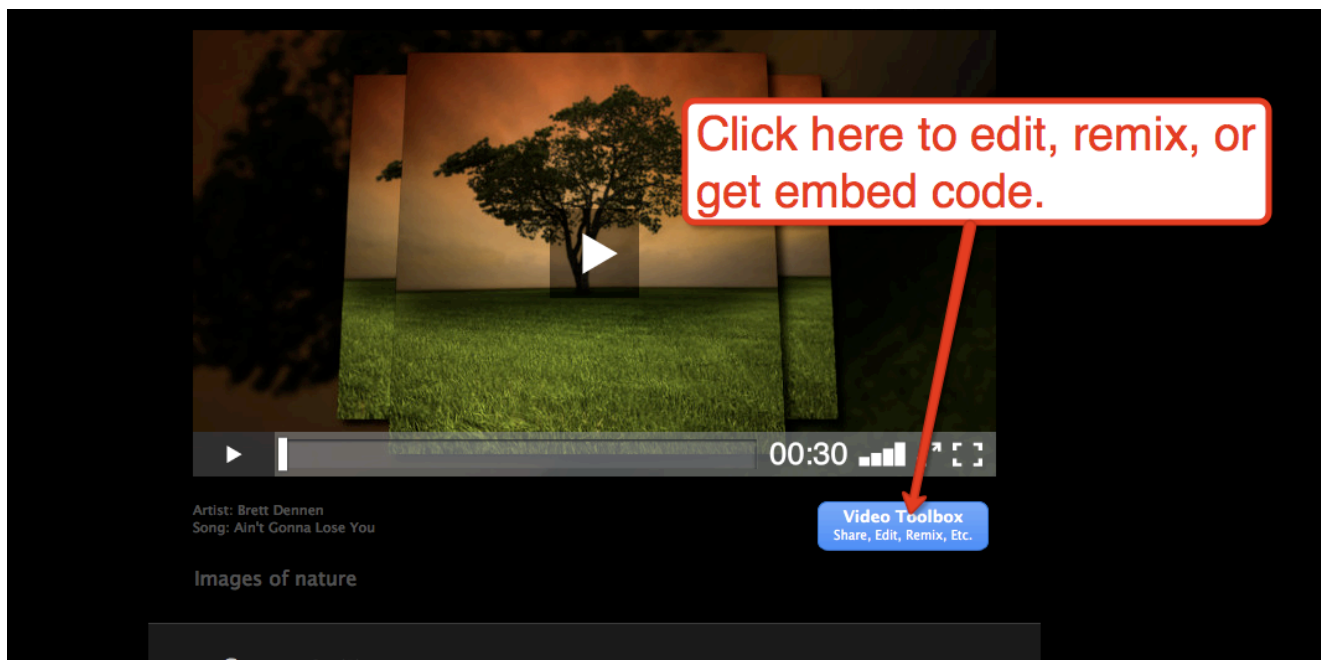
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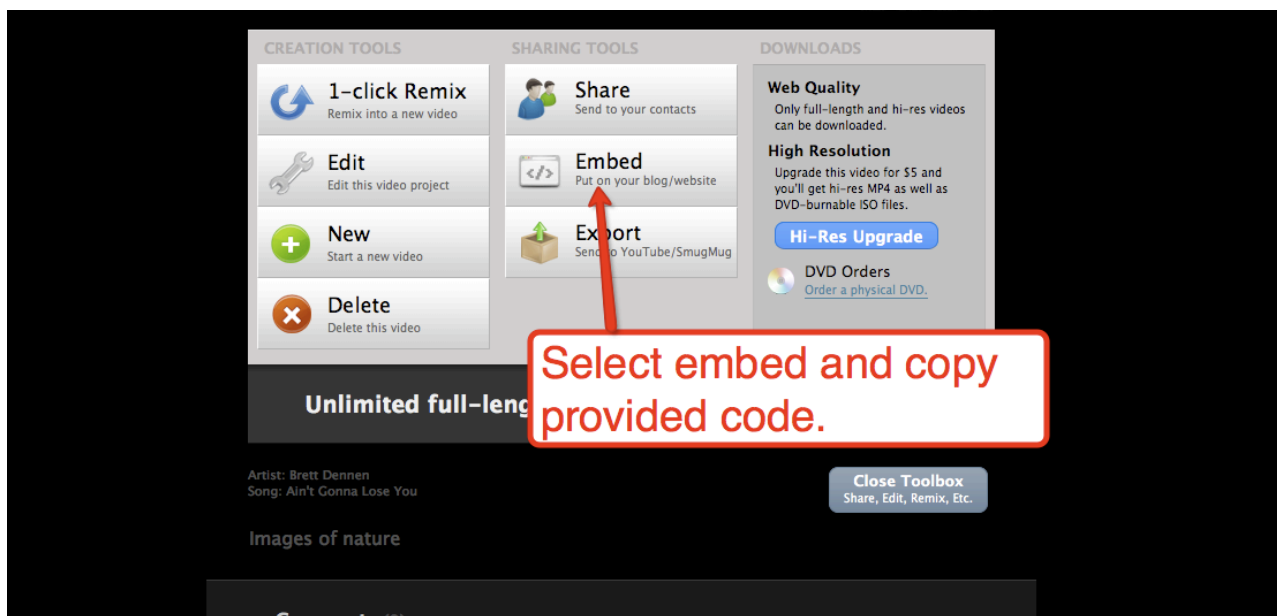
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Preview the final product



Sharing Videos



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Sign in.
If you don't have a Google Account
you will be prompted to create one.
You will need a Google Account
in order to save your work.

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Map Satellite Terrain

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After signing in,
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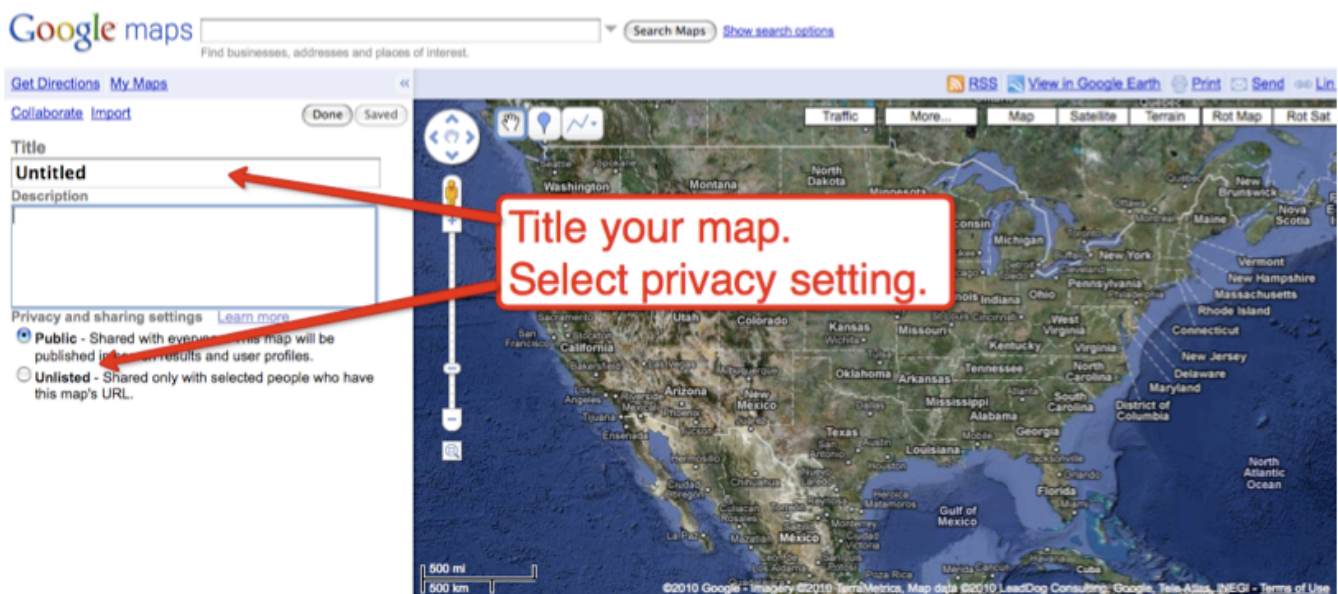
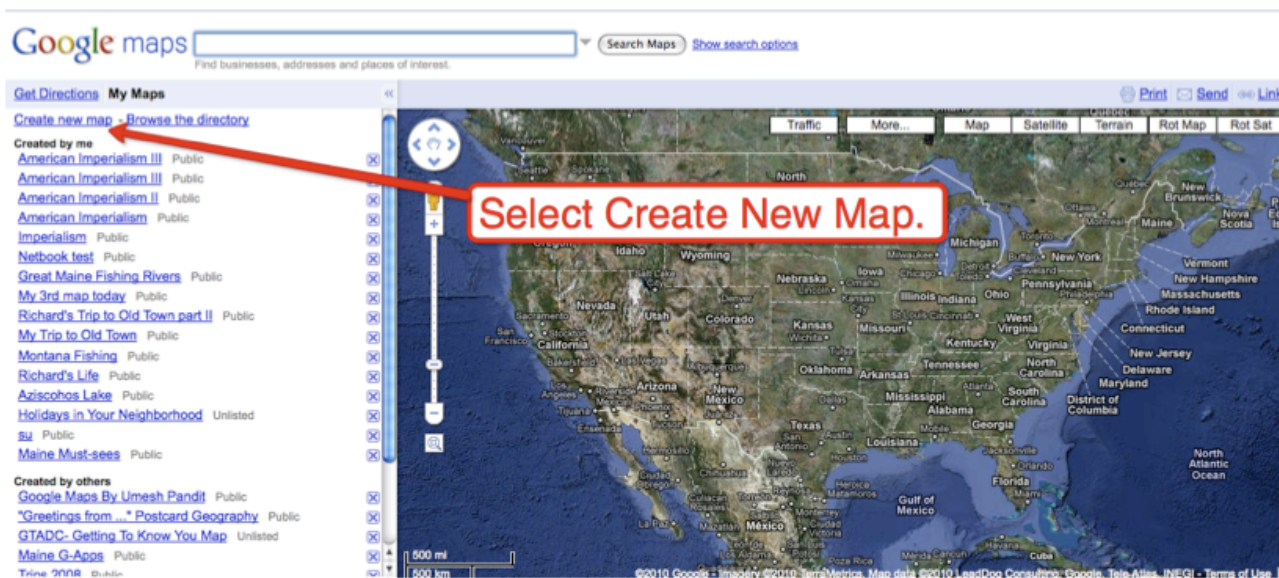
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Find businesses, addresses and places of interest.

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Title
Demonstration Map

Description
This map was created as a demonstration of how to create a Google Map.

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- ☒ **Public** - Shared with everyone. This map will be published in search results and user profiles.
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Scale: 500 mi, 500 km

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Placemark 1

Title

Description

Plain text - Rich text - Edit HTML

B I U

Cancel OK

Title placemark. Select "Rich Text" to edit font style, insert links, and insert images.

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Kennebago Lake

This is the largest fly-fishing only lake in Eastern U

Title

Description

Plain text - Rich text - Edit HTML

This is the largest fly-fishing only lake in Eastern United States.

Cancel OK

Select "Edit HTML" to insert a video. Copy the embed code from YouTube and paste into form.

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[Kennebago Lake](#)
This is the largest fly-fishing only lake in Eastern United States.

Add Placemark

Title: Kennebago Lake

Description: [Plain text](#) - [Rich text](#) - [Edit HTML](#)

`value="always"></param><embed src="http://www.youtube.com/v/CpV8PP1vepE&hl=en_US&fs=1&rel=0&color1=0x3a3a3a&color2=0x999999&border=1" type="application/x-shockwave-flash" allowscriptaccess="always" allowfullscreen="true" width="500" height="315"></embed></object>`

[Delete](#) [Cancel](#) [OK](#)

After inserting code click "ok," "save," then "done." Video won't display until after you have clicked done.

Google maps

Find businesses, addresses and places of interest.

Get Directions My Maps

Collaborate

Demonstration Map

This map was created as a demonstration of how to create a Google Map.

0 views - Public

Created on Mar 29 - Updated < 1 minute ago

By [Richard](#)

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[Edit](#)

Click edit to go back and add more placemarks or edit/ remove existing placemarks.

[Directions](#) [Search nearby](#) [Save to...](#) [more](#)

Create a Backchannel Using Today's Meet

Go to Todaysmeet.com to get started

TodaysMeet

Talk. Listen.

Create a Room.

Name room. Select expiration. Optional hashtag. Create

Name your room → **FT4T**
ie: <http://todaysmeet.com/FT4T> ✓

Delete the room in → **one week**
how long will the room data be saved?

Twitter hashtag → **#**
Tweets with this hashtag will be pulled into the room.

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Create your Room.

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TodaysMeet

Listen.

Talk.

What's your name?

Enter desired screen name. Click join. Then you can post messages.

Join.

Create a Backchannel Using Today's Meet

Today'sMeet

Listen.

Type your message
then click "say."

Talk.

Message: 140

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Say.

Today'sMeet

Listen.

Hello world

Richard at 1:26 PM, 12/24/2010 via web

My first message

Talk.

Message: 140

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Say.

Build a Personal Learning Network on Twitter

Search for a keyword or phrase...

Have an account? [Sign in](#)

Sign up for an account.

Discover what's happening right now, why it matters and how to get involved.

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See who's here

Friends and industry peers you know. Celebrities you watch. Businesses you frequent. Find them all on Twitter.

Top Tweets [View all >](#)

Lord_Voldemort7 "Dora Day" is Aug 14th. Why is the USA celebrating the girl who teaches kids to go off alone & base life decisions on stranger's advice?
20 minutes ago

RickWarren You LEARN faith thru testing ,hope thru darkness, patience thru delay, godliness by returning good for evil
2 hours ago

ralphmarston Whatever is hidden inside u will not remain hidden 4 long. Eventually, u will reflect on the outside whatever is on the inside.
2 hours ago

New to Twitter?

Twitter is a rich source of instant information. Stay updated. Keep others updated. It's a whole thing.

Sign Up >

Customize Twitter by choosing who to follow. Then see tweets from those folks as soon as they're posted.

Using Twitter for a business? Check out [Twitter 101](#)

Twitter

Find sources that interest you

You're following **0**

1 suggestions → **2 friends** → **3 search**

Look who else is here! Follow the ones you like.

Art & Design
Books
Business
Charity
Deals & Discounts
Entertainment
Family
Fashion
Food & Drink
Funny
Health
Music
News
Politics

Unfortunately, education is not a category Twitter lists.

Step 1 of 3: Browse Interests

To get started, select the topics you are interested in. Find a few people you want to hear from, then follow them. When you "**follow**" someone, each time they tweet, you'll see their tweets on your Twitter Home page. They are notified that you are following them, and will be displayed on your public profile. You can follow or unfollow sources anytime.

[How are suggestions selected?](#)

Next step: friends >>

Build a Personal Learning Network on Twitter

The screenshot shows the Twitter interface for finding sources. At the top, the Twitter logo is on the left, and a progress bar shows '1 suggestions' (highlighted), '2 friends' (active), and '3 search'. Below the progress bar, a text box says 'Many of your friends and colleagues already use Twitter. Find and follow them.' Underneath, a section titled 'Find your contacts from' lists 'Gmail', 'Yahoo', 'AOL', and 'LinkedIn'. To the right, a dark grey box titled 'Step 2 of 3: Find your friends' contains the text: 'Scan your email address book or contacts to discover which of your friends are already using Twitter. Select an email service from the list to the left. Follow any of the friends you find to add their Tweets to your Home timeline.' A purple callout box with a white border points to the email service list and contains the text: 'Pull in contacts from other sources.' At the bottom, there are two buttons: '« Previous step: suggestions' and 'Next step: search »'.

The screenshot shows the Twitter interface for finding sources. At the top, the Twitter logo is on the left, and a progress bar shows '1 suggestions', '2 friends', and '3 search' (highlighted). Below the progress bar, a text box says 'Missing someone? Find people, organizations, or companies that are already on Twitter.' Underneath, a section titled 'Who are you looking for?' has a search input field and a 'Search' button. Below the input field, examples are listed: 'Examples: Bill, Bill Smith, or Whole Foods'. To the right, a dark grey box titled 'Step 3 of 3: Search for anyone' contains the text: 'This is the last step for anyone we've missed. Search for a username, first name, last name, or business name. Once you're satisfied with the sources you're following, click "Finish" below to go to your Home timeline. Find more sources to follow anytime by clicking the "Find People" link at the top of your Twitter home page.' A purple callout box with a white border points to the search input field and contains the text: 'Search for people by name. Try "Richard Byrne"'. At the bottom, there are two buttons: '« Previous step: friends' and 'Next step: You're done! »'.

Build a Personal Learning Network on Twitter

A screenshot of the Twitter homepage. At the top, the Twitter logo is on the left, and navigation links (Home, Profile, Find People, Settings, Help, Sign out) are on the right. A purple-bordered callout box with white text says: "Post your first message(s). Try including a link to something interesting you've found." Two purple arrows point from this box to the "What's happening?" text input field and the "Tweet" button. Below the input field, it says "Share your first tweet with the world!". On the right, the user profile for "richardft4t" is shown, indicating 0 tweets, 0 following, 0 followers, and 0 listed. Below the profile, there's a "Home" section with a list of links: "@richardft4t", "Direct Messages" (0), "Favorites", "Retweets", and a "Search" bar. At the bottom, there's a "Lists" section with a description: "Lists are timelines you build yourself, consisting of friends, family, co-workers, sports teams, you name it."

twitter Home Profile Find People Settings Help Sign out

Post your first message(s). Try including a link to something interesting you've found.

What's happening? 140

Share your first tweet with the world! Tweet

Home

What to do now:

1. Tell us what **you're** doing in the box above
Note that your tweets will be available publicly. You can make your tweets private on your [account page](#).
2. Find some friends and follow what **they're** doing
3. Turn on your mobile phone to update your friends on the go

richardft4t 0 tweets

0 following 0 followers 0 listed

@earlybird
n. a thrifty bird that lays golden eggs.

Home

@richardft4t

Direct Messages 0

Favorites

Retweets

Search

Lists

Lists are timelines you build yourself, consisting of friends, family, co-workers, sports teams, you name it.

A screenshot of the Twitter homepage, similar to the one above but with a different callout box. The callout box, with a purple border and white text, says: "Edit your profile so that people can learn a little bit about you. This helps them decide if they want to follow you." A purple arrow points from this box to the "Settings" link in the top navigation bar. The "What's happening?" section now shows a tweet from "richardft4t" that says "Hello world. This is a demo for http://freetech4teachers.com" posted "1 minute ago via web". The "What to do now:" section is identical to the previous screenshot. The user profile for "richardft4t" now shows "1 tweet". The "Home" section still lists the same links, but the "Search" bar is now labeled "Retweets".

twitter Home Profile Find People Settings Help Sign out

What's happening? 140

New! Add a location to your tweet. Latest: Hello world. This is a demo for http://freetech4teachers.com

Home

richardft4t Hello world. This is a demo for http://freetech4teachers.com 1 minute ago via web

What to do now:

1. Tell us what **you're** doing in the box above
Note that your tweets will be available publicly. You can make your tweets private on your [account page](#).
2. Find some friends and follow what **they're** doing
3. Turn on your mobile phone to update your friends on the go

richardft4t 1 tweet

0 following 0 followers 0 listed

Retweets

Search

Lists

Lists are timelines you build yourself, consisting of friends, family, co-workers, sports teams, you name it.

New list

Edit your profile so that people can learn a little bit about you. This helps them decide if they want to follow you.

Build a Personal Learning Network on Twitter

 richardft4t's settings

Account Password Mobile Notices **Profile** Design

Picture



[Browse...](#)

Maximum size of 700k. JPG, GIF, PNG.

Name

richard

Enter your real name, so people you know can recognize you.

Location

Where in the world are you?

Web

http://

Have a homepage or a blog? Put the address here.
(You can also add Twitter to your site here.)

Bio

About yourself in fewer than 160 chars.

Save

Under profile tab
add a picture,
where you live (generally),
your blog or website link,
and a little about you.

Filling in your profile information
will help people find you on
Twitter. For example, you'll be
more likely to turn up in a Twitter
search if you've added your
location or your real name.

Your Twitter profile picture helps
instantly identify you to those
following you -- and tells those
who aren't more about you.

Build a Personal Learning Network on Twitter

Finding People and Making Connections on Twitter

Follow the people other people mention.

Why is she mentioning them?

The image shows a Twitter interface. A tweet from user **mbteach** is highlighted with a white box. The tweet text is: "Hey @kjarrett @nborota @mritzius @ritzius2 have you seen this? <http://bit.ly/9DAJaX>". Two white arrows point from the text "Why is she mentioning them?" to the mentioned usernames in the tweet. Below the tweet, the text "Search Topics" is written in green, with a green arrow pointing from it to the search bar in the right-hand sidebar. The sidebar shows the profile of user **rmbyrne** with 8,301 tweets, 6,837 following, 8,002 followers, and 711 listed. It also shows a bio for "Cad · mus" and navigation links for Home, @rmbyrne, Direct Messages (843), Favorites, and Retweets. A search bar is at the bottom of the sidebar.

Search Topics

Use keyword searches

Build a Personal Learning Network on Twitter

Ask questions!

Starting Conversations

Share a link with a comment.



drezac What was your overall, most important reason for starting a Ning network? <http://poll4.com/bUGbsQ>
about 1 hour ago via Poll Everywhere

Ask a poll question.



wfryer Don't miss the Google Doc linked from @courosa's post "Ning Alternatives, Collaboration, & Self Hosting" <http://ow.ly/1zvVC> h/t @shareski
about 1 hour ago via HootSuite

Start a Collaborative Project



TeachPaperless We're headed towards 1,300 teachers taking paperless pledge for Earth Day! <http://ow.ly/1zrLx> Pledge now & share: <http://ow.ly/1zrLU>
about 4 hours ago via HootSuite

Share a Lesson



imccoog @rmbyrne I love the Captains of Industry game http://docs.google.com/View?id=df6bwk2v_420cg4q7jc9
about 1 hour ago via web in reply to rmbyrne

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Bookmarks
You haven't saved any bookmarks yet.
You can save bookmarks by:

- Clicking the star button on your [Google Toolbar](#) when you are browsing the web.
- Adding bookmarks through the "Add bookmark" link on the left hand side of this page.

My lists
You haven't created any lists.
Lists is a new experimental feature in Google Bookmarks. We hope you try it! Copy your bookmarks into lists to collaborate with friends and get relevant info from Google. Check out [Welcome to Lists](#) or jump in and [create a new list](#).

1. Click add bookmark.

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Add a bookmark

Page name
★ []

Location (URL)
http://

Labels
e.g. News, To do, summer vacation

Description

Create new list

Name
e.g. Our summer vacation, Favorite places to eat, Seattle hotspots

Description (optional)

Visibility: ☒ Private [Make Public](#)

[Create list](#) [Cancel](#)

Click create new list.

Name list.
Choose privacy setting

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Save and Share Resources Online

Google Bookmarks

Optional, but highly recommended, install the Google Bookmarklet.
Simply drag to browser to install it.

Google bookmarks

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Add a bookmark

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Location (URL)

Labels

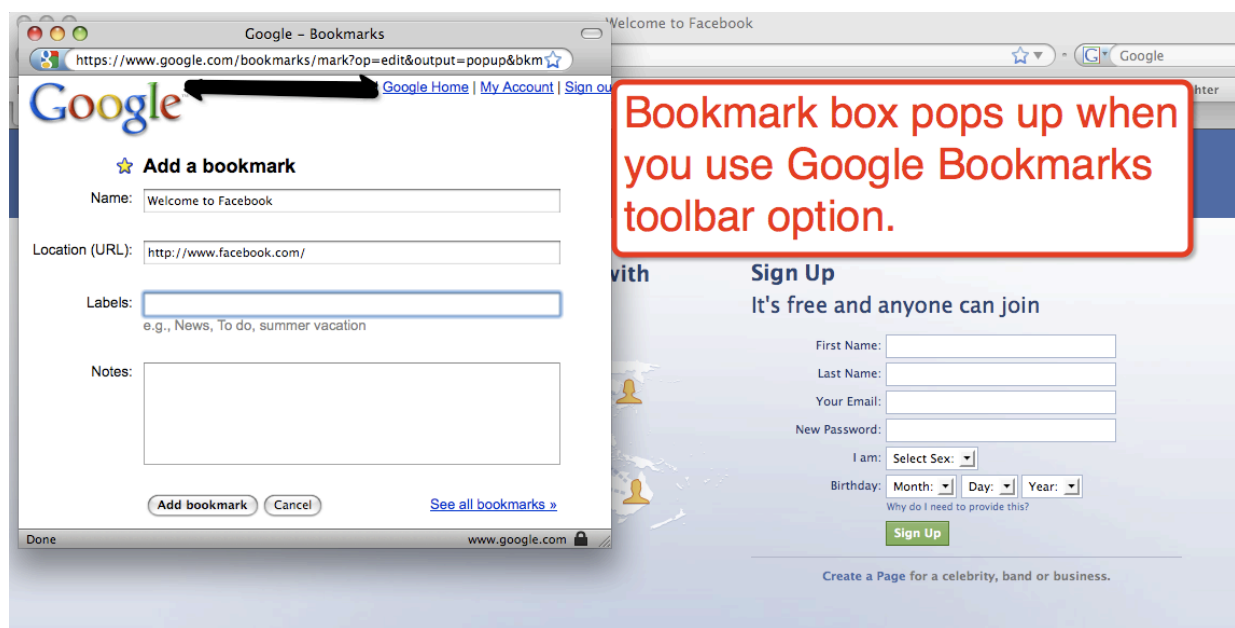
Description

Get the bookmarklet.

Just drag the button below to the bookmarks toolbar in your web browser. Do not see the bookmarks toolbar? Select View > Toolbar > Bookmarks Toolbar.

Drag to Browser.

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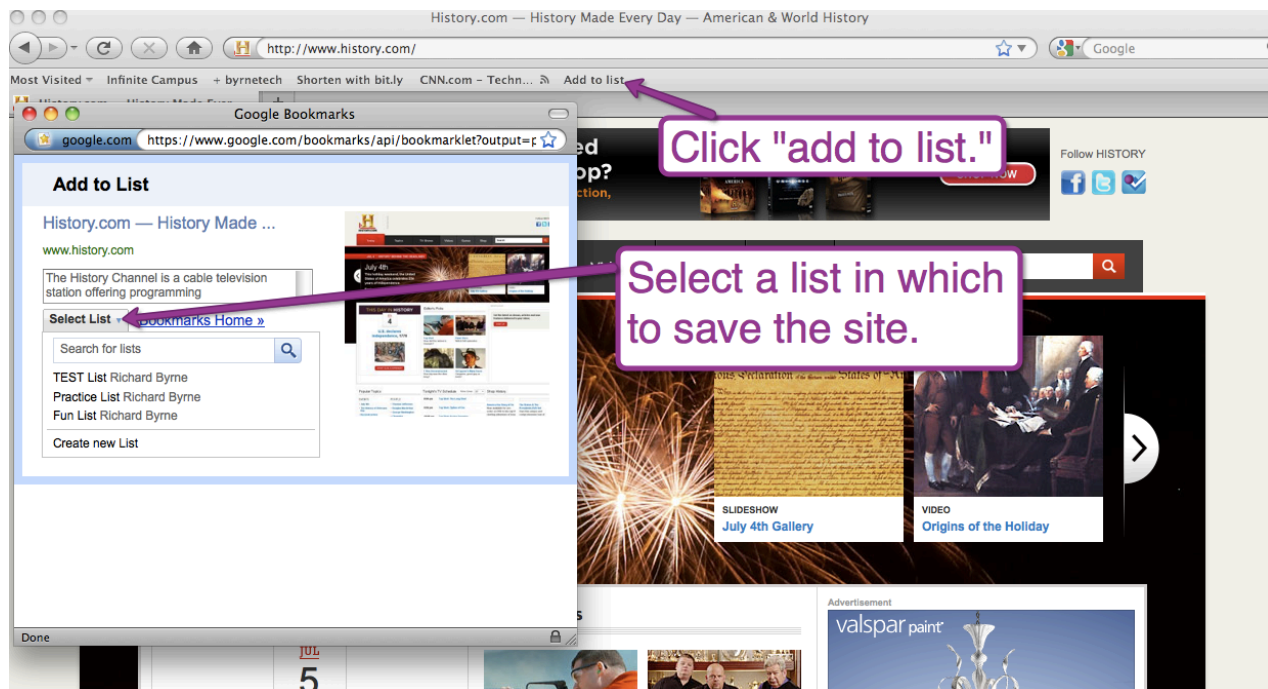
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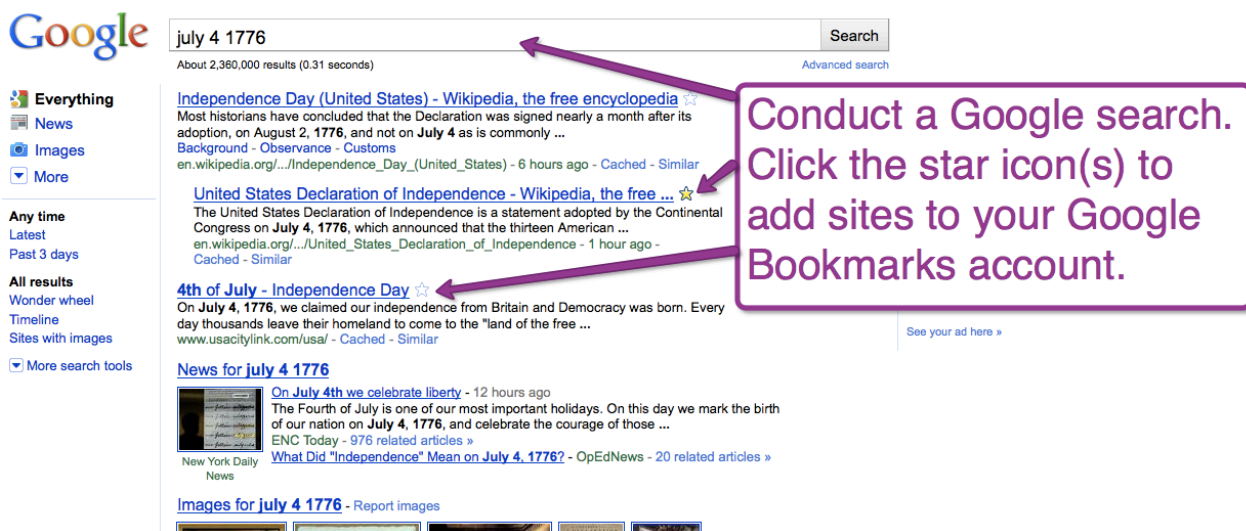
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Save and Share Resources Online

Google Bookmarks



When conducting a search while logged into your Google account, just click the star icons to add bookmarks to your account.



Save and Share Resources Online

Google Bookmarks

Sorting Your Bookmarks

Google bookmarks

Bookmarks Private

Select: All - None Delete Copy to list

Search for lists

Practice List Richard Byrne 11 seconds ago

TEST List Richard Byrne Mar 24, 2010

Fun List Richard Byrne Mar 24, 2010

Create new list

4th of July - Independence Day - www.4thofjuly.com - edit - delete 11 seconds ago

ESPN: The Worldwide Leader in Sports - espn.com - edit - delete Mar 24, 2010

Fly Fishing in Maine - flyfishinginmaine.com - edit - delete Mar 24, 2010

Fourth of July is Independence Day: USA.gov - www.usa.gov - edit - delete 7 seconds ago

Independence Day (United States) - Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia - en.wikipedia.org - edit - delete 14 seconds ago

The Declaration of Independence - www.ushistory.org - edit - delete 9 seconds ago

The Declaration of Independence - thedeclarationofindependence.com - edit - delete 8 seconds ago

The Official Site of the Boston Red Sox - www.bostonredsox.mlb.com - edit - delete Mar 24, 2010

United States Declaration of Independence - www.usa.gov - edit - delete 2 minutes ago

Welcome to Facebook - www.facebook.com - edit - delete Mar 24, 2010

YouTube - The Declaration of Independence - July 4, 1776 - www.youtube.com - edit - delete 5 seconds ago

Select items to move into lists.

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Invite people (Any email address will work)

Message:

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Invite people. Any email address will work. If the recipient doesn't have an Google account he/she will be invited to create one.

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1. Set up your search engine

2. Try it out

Basic information

Give your search engine a name and provide a brief description.

Search engine name:

for example, Real Climate Search Engine

Search engine description:

for example, Climate Science from Climate Scientists

Search engine language:

What do you want to search?

- ☒ Only sites I select.
- ☐ The entire web, but emphasize sites I select.

Select some sites

Specify a list of websites to search. You'll be able to edit this list and add more sites later. [Tips on formatting URLs.](#)

Sites to search:

Specify if you want to search only your selected sites.

Add the sites you want searched.

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After adding your list of sites to search (you can edit it at anytime) select standard edition, click next, and your search engine is finished.

Select some sites

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Sites to search:

```
http://wikipedia.org
http://freetech4teachers.com
http://history.com
```

List one URL per line

Select an edition

Select the edition you'd like to create. [Learn more.](#)

Editions:

☒ **Standard edition** - Free, ads are required on results pages.

☐ **Google Site Search** - Starts at \$100 per year, no ads on results pages.

☐ I have read and agree to the [Terms of Service.](#)

[Next](#)

Select standard edition.
We'll remove the adds
later.

Go back to your Custom Search Engine account page and open the control panel.

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My search engines

You've just created the search engine "Mr. Byrne's Search Engine".
To edit this search engine, get code for a search box to place on your website, or on Google and try it out, use the homepage link below.

Search engines I've created

Mr. Byrne's Search Engine	control panel	statistics	delete
Oxford Hills Social Studies Resources	control panel	statistics	delete
Find an Adventure	control panel	statistics	delete

Additional tools

- [Manage your email preferences](#)
- Add the Developer Gadget to your iGoogle homepage for easy access to all your Custom Search Engines. 

To remove adds
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Transliteration: ☐ On ☒ Off

Search engine encoding:

Preferences

How to search included sites: ☒ Search only included sites.
☐ Search the entire web but emphasize included sites.

Specify whether your search engine is for a non-profit, university, or government website that should not have advertising on the results pages.

Advertising status: ☐ Show ads on results pages.
☒ Do not show ads on results pages (for registered non-profits, universities, and government agencies only).

☐ Enable special results, such as [Subscribed Links](#) and promotions.

☐ Enable autocompletions. New!

Note: It may take a few hours until your autocompletions become available. You should also update your JavaScript code to explicitly turn on this feature.

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In control panel go to "preferences" then select "do not show ads."

Copy the code provided and paste into your blog, wiki, or website.

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Control panel - Get code: Mr. Byrne's Search Engine

To get code for other hosting options, adjust your settings on the [Look and feel](#) page.

Custom Search element code

Paste this code in the page where you'd like the Custom Search element to appear.

```
<div id="cse" style="width: 100%; border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 5px;></div>
<script src="http://www.google.com/jsapi" type="text/javascript"></script>
<script type="text/javascript">
  google.load('search', 1, {language: 'en'});
  google.setOnLoadCallback(function() {
    var customSearchControl = new google.search.CustomSearchControl(
      customSearchControl.setResultSetSize(google.search.Search.FILTER_CUSTOM_SEARCH_CONTROL_DRAW('cse')));
  });
</script>
<link rel="stylesheet" href="http://www.google.com/cse/style/look/default.css">
```

Want to do more customization?

You can customize the look and feel even more or extend the functionality of the Custom Search element by:

- Downloading the [CSS source file](#).
- Following the [JavaScript and CSS documentation](#) to add more customizations.

In control panel select "get code" then copy to place in your blog.

Create a Podcast using Aviary's Myna Audio Mixer

Go to: Aviary.com/tools/audio-editor

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Start a new Myna creation

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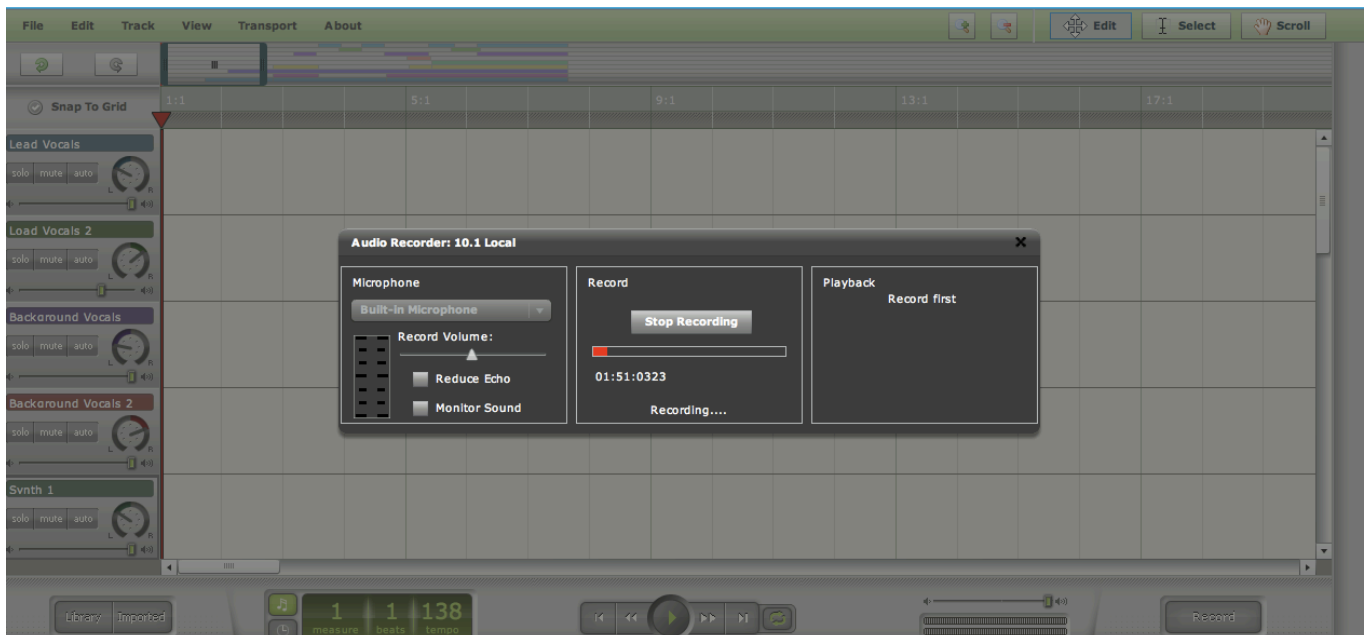
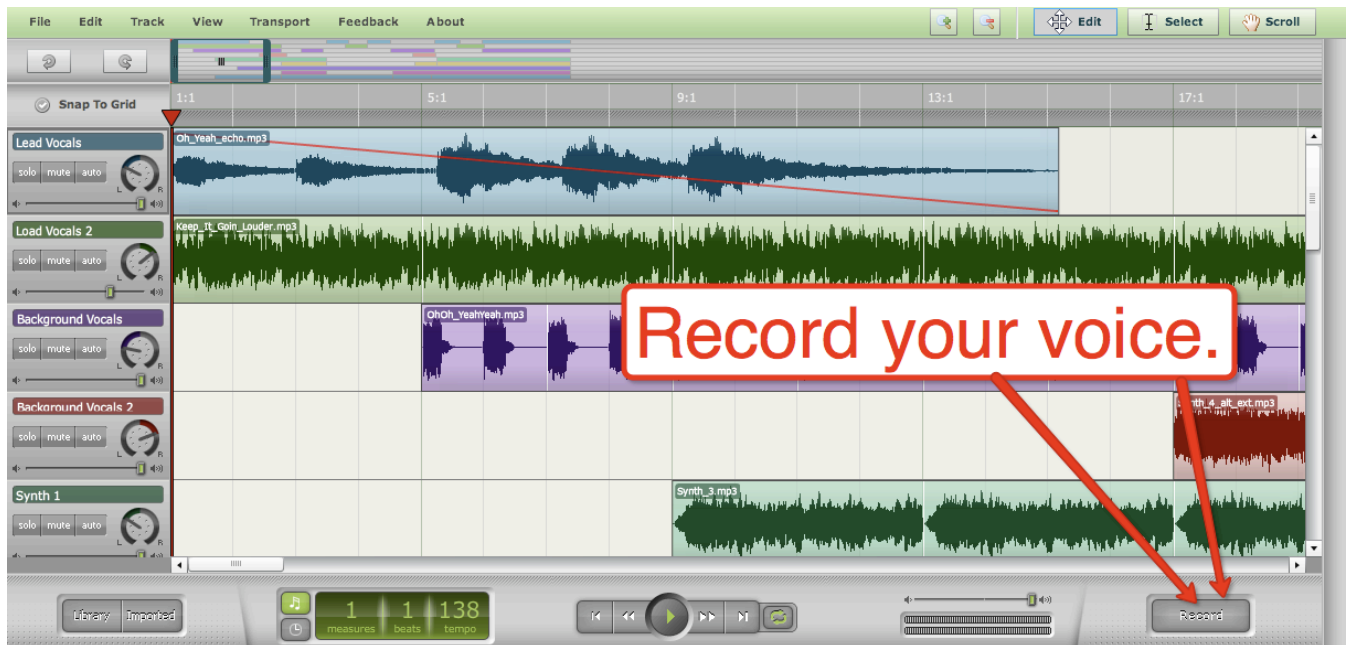
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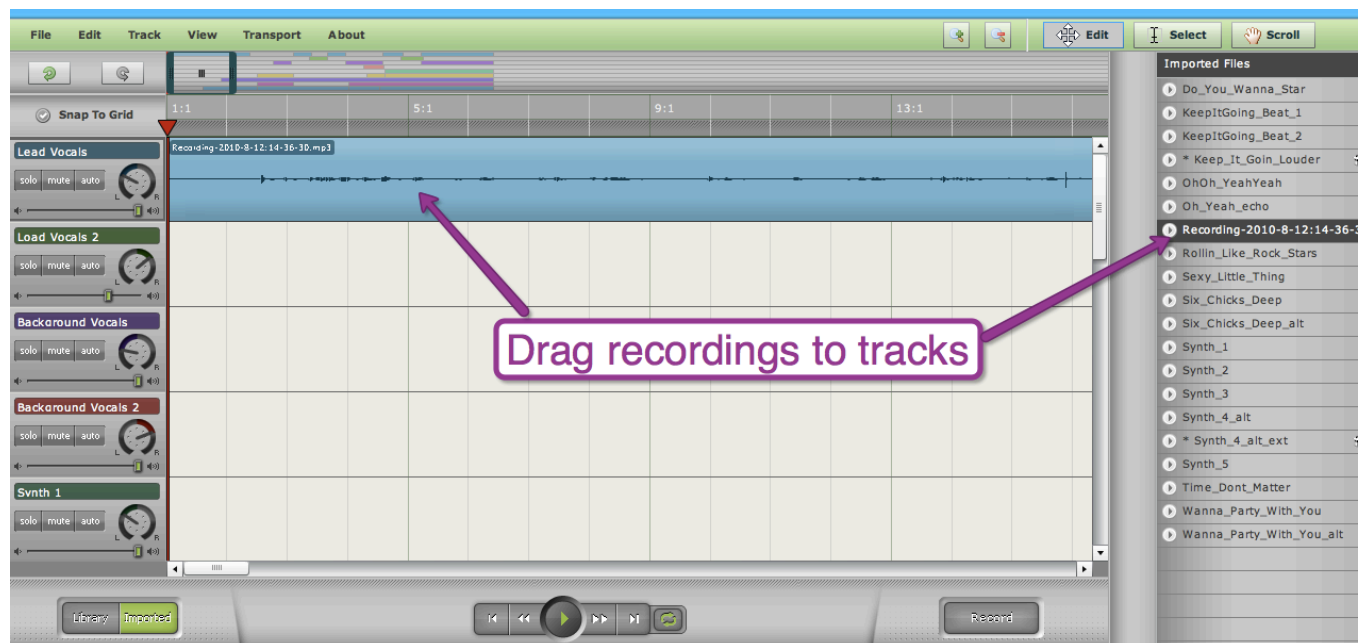
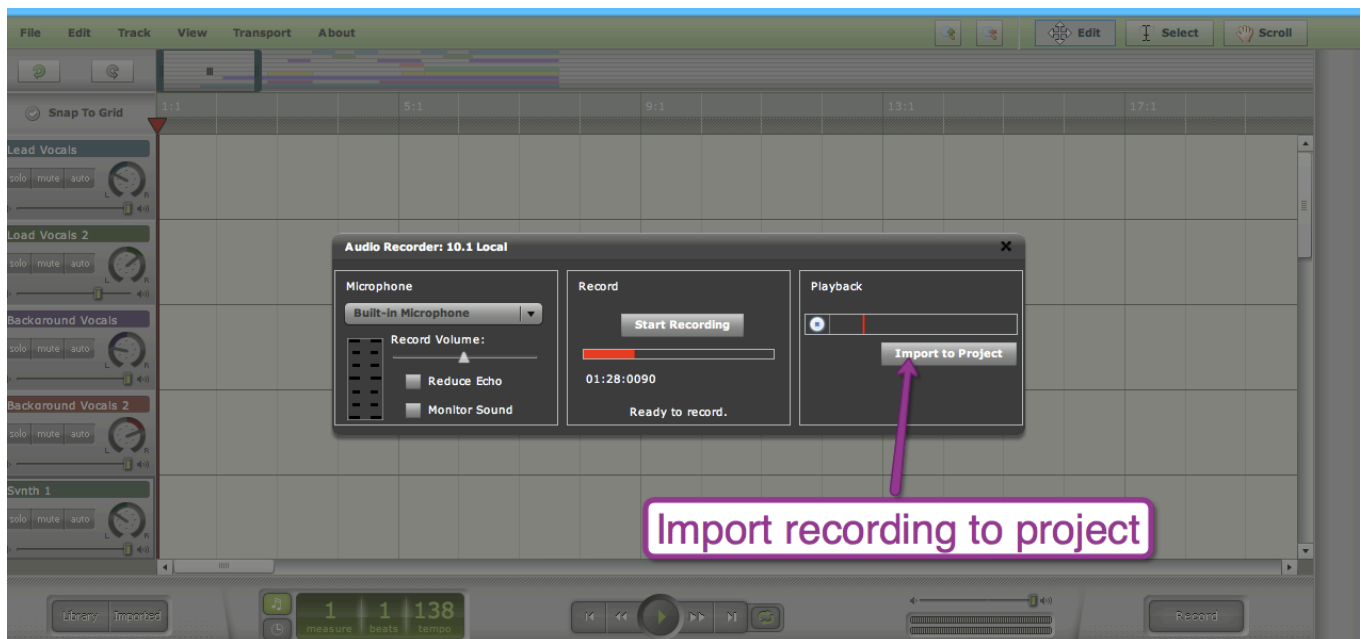
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Why don't you [log in](#)?

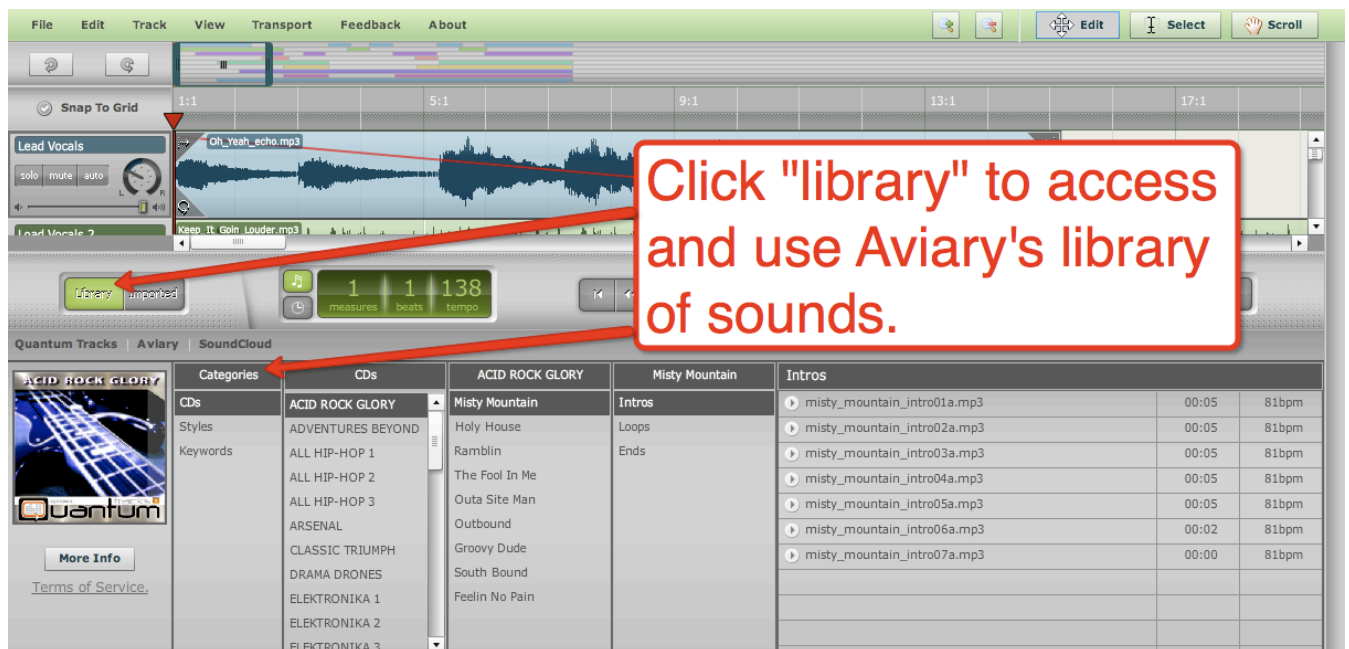
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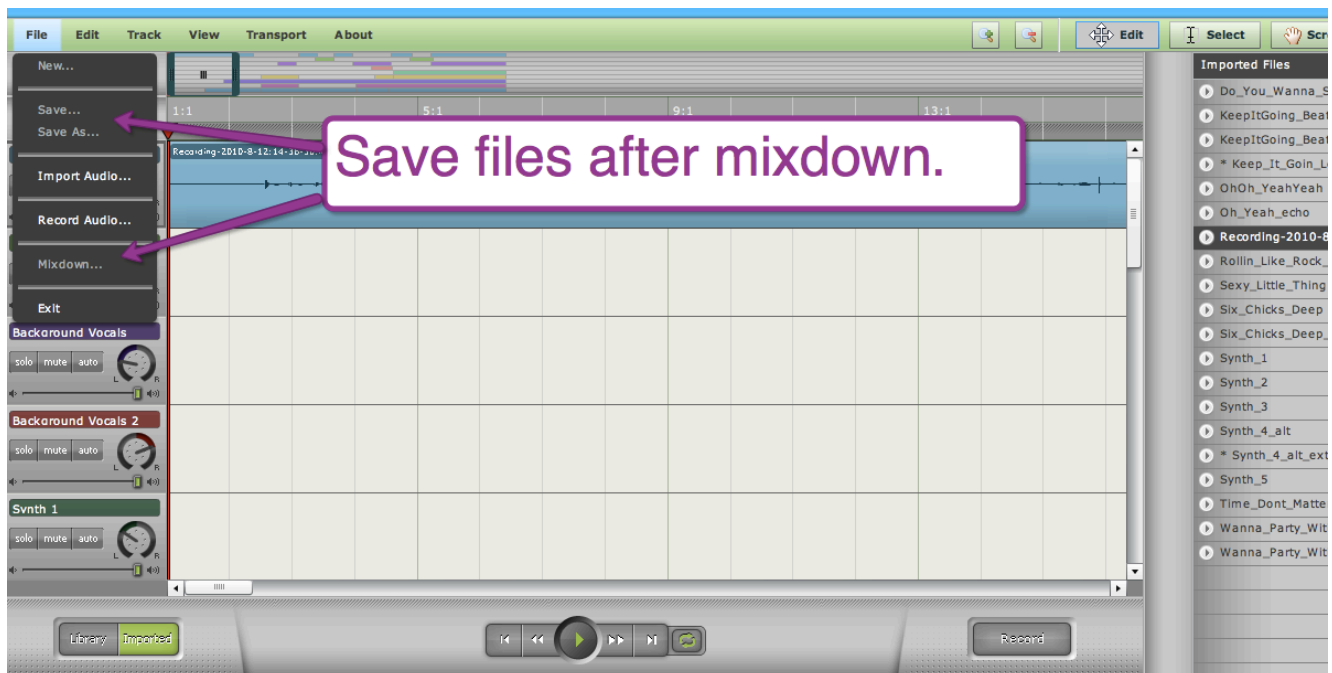
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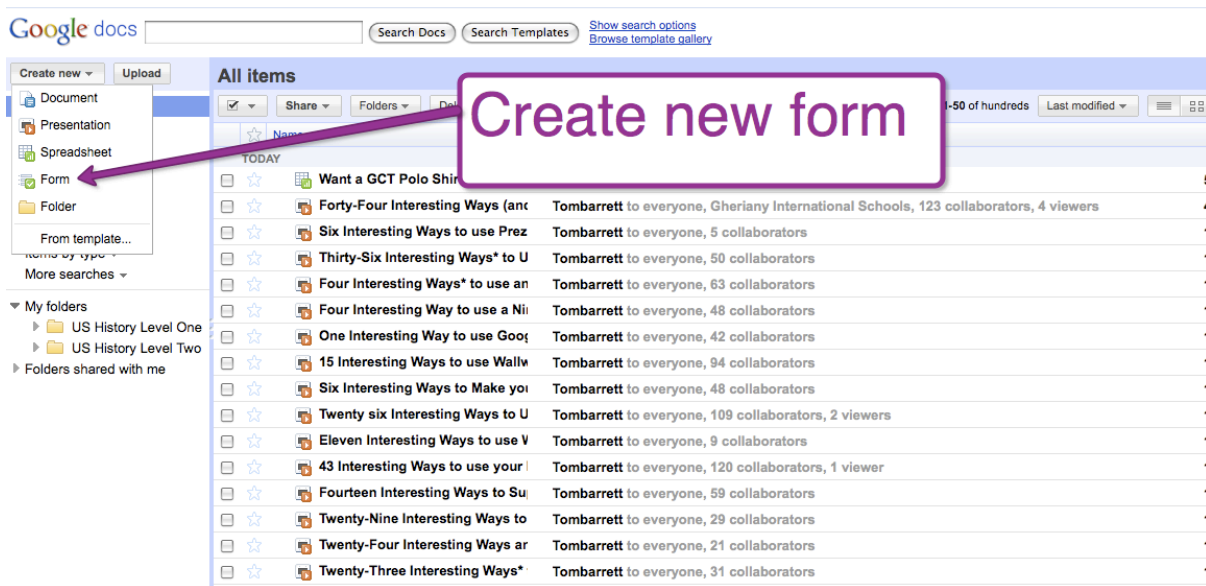
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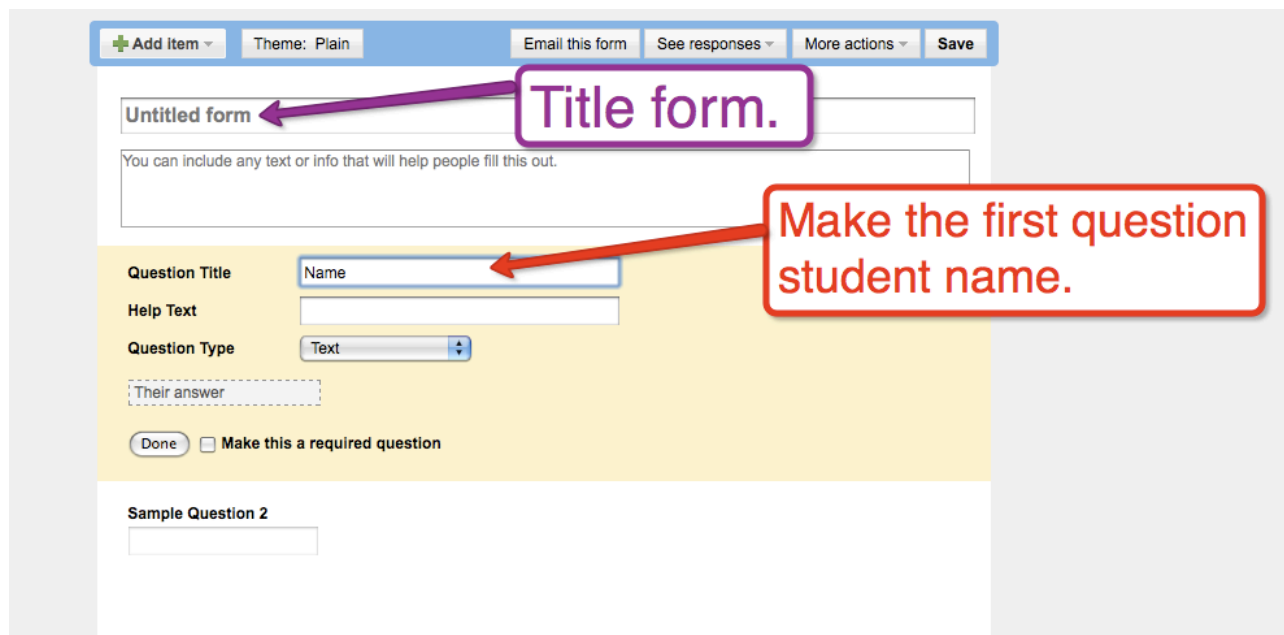
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Untitled form

You can include any text or info that will help people fill this out.

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Question Type Text

Their answer

Done ☐ Make this a required question

Sample Question 2

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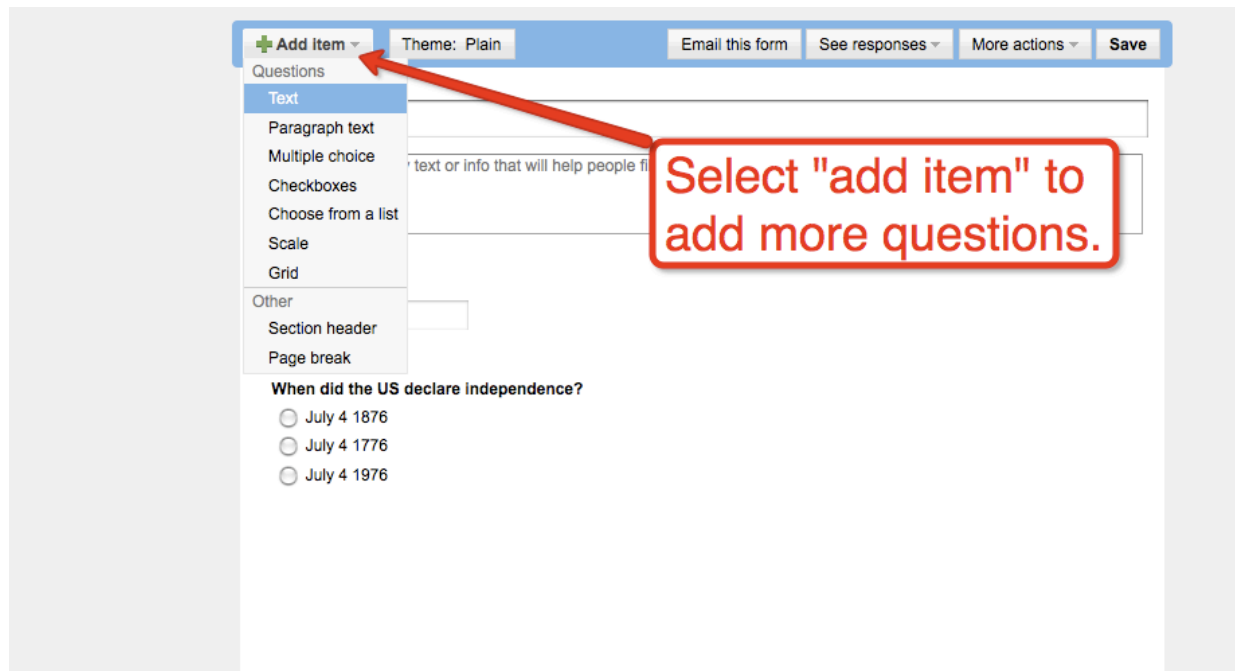
Google Forms interface showing the "Quiz 1" form. The form includes a title, a description, and a question titled "When did the US declare independence?". The "Question Type" dropdown menu is open, showing options: Text, Paragraph text, Multiple choice, Checkboxes, Choose from a list, Scale, and Grid. A red arrow points to the "Text" option with the text "Select question type."

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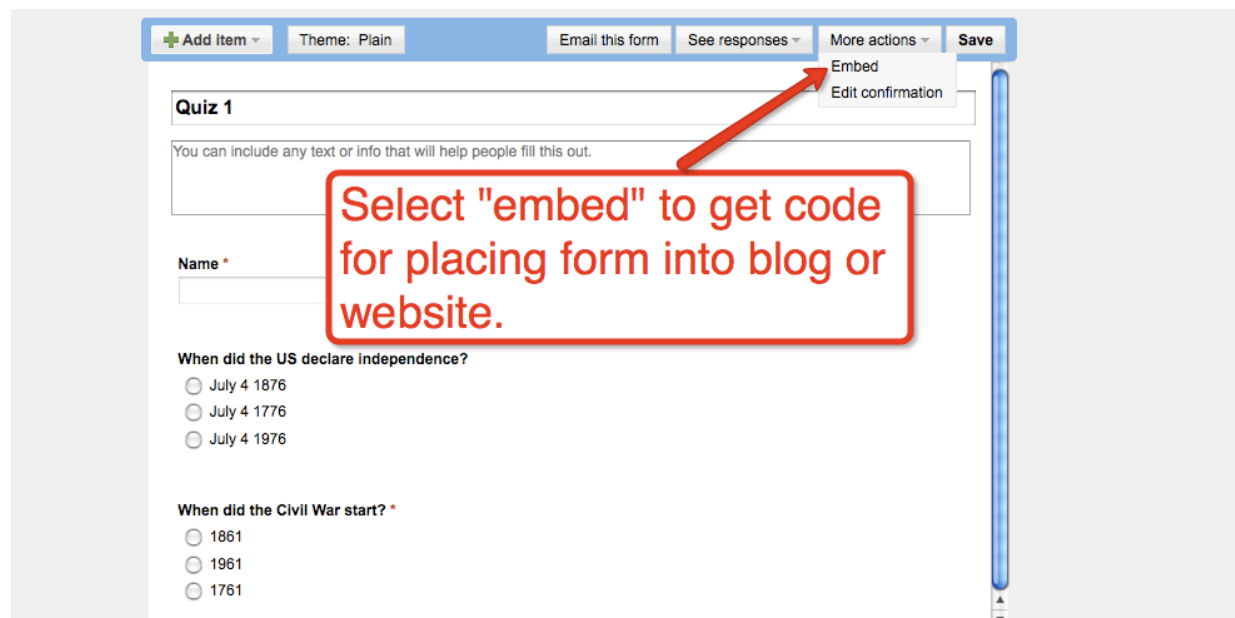
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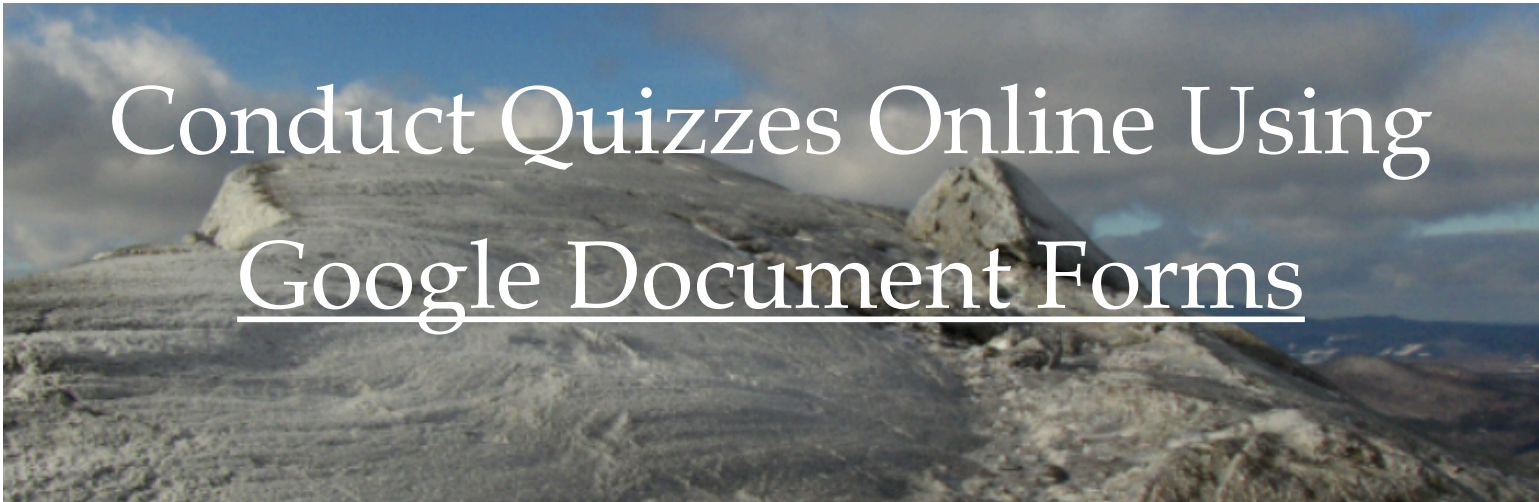
This screenshot shows the Google Forms editor interface. At the top, there is a blue header bar with a '+ Add Item' button, a 'Theme: Plain' dropdown, and buttons for 'Email this form', 'See responses', 'More actions', and 'Save'. Below the header, a dropdown menu is open, showing various question types: Text, Paragraph text, Multiple choice, Checkboxes, Choose from a list, Scale, Grid, and Other. The 'Text' option is highlighted. A red arrow points from a red-bordered text box to the '+ Add Item' button. The text box contains the instruction: 'Select "add item" to add more questions.' Below the menu, a sample multiple-choice question is visible: 'When did the US declare independence?' with three radio button options: 'July 4 1876', 'July 4 1776', and 'July 4 1976'.

Select "add item" to add more questions.



This screenshot shows the Google Forms editor interface with a form titled 'Quiz 1'. The form includes a text input field for a name, followed by two multiple-choice questions: 'When did the US declare independence?' and 'When did the Civil War start?'. The 'More actions' button in the top right corner is highlighted, and a red arrow points from a red-bordered text box to it. The text box contains the instruction: 'Select "embed" to get code for placing form into blog or website.' The 'More actions' dropdown menu is open, showing options for 'Embed' and 'Edit confirmation'.

Select "embed" to get code for placing form into blog or website.



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The screenshot shows the 'Embed' dialog box in Google Forms. A red box with the text 'Copy code' and an arrow points to the embed code: `<iframe src='http://spreadsheets.google.com/embeddedform?formkey=dFhsMIRzdS01NkN1MVE'`. The dialog box also contains the text 'Paste this into your blog or website:' and a 'Cancel' button. The background shows a form titled 'Quiz 1' with a question 'When did the Civil War start? *' and radio button options: 1861, 1961, and 1761.

- Edit width and height to fit in your blog's main column.

When editing the width of your form bear in mind that most blog's main column is between 450 and 500 px wide.

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Richard Byrne is available to conduct professional development workshops for your school or organization. Here is a list of some of the places he's spoken and is scheduled to speak at in 2010:

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